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ANCIENT HISTORY

Happenings in McKean County in Days of Old, Taken from the Files.

The frame work of Mr. H. H[illegible]'s house was [illegible] on Tuesday last (May 25, 1865). The house when completed will be an ornament to Smethport. Our borough already contains a number of elegant and spacious private residences that would do credit to a much larger town.

Married, in Emporium, on May 20, 1865, at the residence of [illegible] Gunster, Mr. John R. [illegible] to Miss Nellie H. Moore [illegible]

[illegible]

Wood[illegible] just under [illegible] In the [illegible] is talking about laying a ten pin alley. [illegible] Smethport isn't becoming a fast as [illegible]. The billiard [illegible] by 2 or [illegible] players.

The following persons were appointed for tavern licenses in 1865: A. A. Stevens, [illegible]; H. S. W[illegible] [illegible] Jacob B. [illegible] Wm. [illegible]

[illegible] 1865, the dwelling house of [illegible] Ostrander in [illegible] occupied by [illegible] Mrs. Ostrander [illegible] and been at but a short time [illegible] house of a neighbor [illegible]. It is impossible to [illegible] the cause of the fire. It is a heavy loss for Mr. Ostrander and we are glad to see a disposition among the citizens of the county to make up the greater part of the loss by generously donating from their abundance. Mr. Ostrander is an honest, hard working man, a good citizen and should be assisted in procuring another house.

On Friday, July 7, 1865, David E. Harold, Lewis Payne, Mrs. Surratt and George A. Atzerott were hung, in the city of Washington, in accordance with the sentences of the military commission, which had been approved by the President. The following is the sentence of the commission in the case of Mrs. Surratt, which is similar to the rest:

"And the commission does therefore sentence the said Mary E. Surratt to be hung by the neck until she be dead, at such time and place as the President of the United States shall direct, two thirds of the commission concurring therein."

The President approves the sentences in the following order, to wit:

"The following sentences in the cases of David E. Harold, G. A. Atzerott, Lewis Payne and Mary E. Surratt are hereby approved; and it is ordered that the sentences in the cases of David E. Harold, G. A. Atzerott, Lewis Payne and Mary E. Surratt be carried into execution by the proper military authority, under the direction of the Secretary of War, on the 7th day of July, 1865, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 2 o'clock p. m. of that day. (Signed) Andrew Johnson, President."

The commission sentenced O'Laughlin, Arnold and Dr. Mudd to imprisonment for life and Spangler to imprisonment for six years at hard labor. The orders to execute the sentences were given to Major General Hancock, commanding the Middle Military division.

Some three weeks since a very valuable sawmill, belonging to Gen. T. L. Kane at Kane, on the line of the Philadelphia & Erie railroad, was destroyed by fire. A considerable lumber was burned at the time. The loss to Gen. Kane cannot be less than $15,000. and the loss to the railroad company, who are erecting extensive repair shops, a round house, etc., and to the citizens who contemplated building at Kane this season is almost irreparable. We are gratified to state, however, that another mill will be built as soon as men and means can build it. Gen. Kane, with his usual promptness and energy, is pushing the work forward with all possible dispatch.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father in Norwich township, on Thursday morning, July 6, 1865, by Rev. L. L. Rogers, Mr. Daniel G. Fink of Lock Haven, Pa., to Miss Nancy A. Brown. The happy couple will please accept the sincere thanks of the printers and their imps for the favors so generously conferred. May their pathway through life be strewn with flowers and their dwelling place the abode of thrift and happiness.

Died, in Keating township, June 30, 1865, Miss Estella M., daughter of Benjamin C. and Betsey C. Corwin, aged 21 years and 24 days.

Notice.

All borough taxes are now long overdue and to save costs those who have not paid their taxes should do so at once.

CARL SASSE, Collector.

Call at F. G. Lindholm & Co.'s on Friday afternoon to see a large sample line of silk coats and spring suits.

If you want strictly pure paint you can get it at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

Smethport Victorious.

The return match of a [illegible] between the Carnegie [illegible] bowling team of Bradford and the Smethport athletic club team was rolled on the Central alleys, Bradford, on Saturday night last. Smethport proved victorious, winning two of the three games played and leading in the totals by the narrow margin of 25 pins. Twelve games have been played, of which number the Smethport bowlers have won eight and have the comfortable lead over their opponents [illegible] pins on the total.

All [illegible]

The [illegible] will be [illegible] Saturday, March 28. [illegible] selected.

Saturday's scores follows:

Smethport	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ave
Peters	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Johnson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
K[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mur[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bradford				
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mur[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	

Shall We Pave?

To pave or not to pave. That is the question. Whether 'tis better to endure the present impassable condition of our streets, or to take arms against a sea of mud and by paving obliterate it. The deep, thick mortar which has formed the surface of Main street since the snow disappeared has brought this question to a point where it will undoubtedly be put before the voters and property holders of this borough before a great while.

Some of the members of the borough council have taken the matter up and are making inquiry as to the cost of paving and are making considerable effort to get the sentiment of the voters and property owners as to the advisability [illegible] certain extent by bonding the borough for a sufficient amount to do the paving and then give those owning property fronting on the section of Main street to be paved a term of years to pay their share of the obligation.

It has been customary for many years to expend all available funds "fixing" the streets, but each succeeding spring finds them in the same old condition, or if possible worse. Enough money has been foolishly expended on Main street during the past dozen years to pave its entire length and surely no sensible person will at this time seriously oppose the paving project.

Another Explosion Near Olean.

Olean came very near having another terrible wreck last Friday morning. Two freights on the Pennsylvania railroad collided about a mile east of that place.

When the trains came together there was a mighty explosion and a car containing powder was blown into thousands of pieces. One-half of the car flew clear across Railroad avenue, which runs parallel with the tracks, knocking down a cherry tree in front of the home of F. G. Besecker and crashing into the corner of the house, badly wrecking that part of the house.

Some of the cans in which the powder had been shipped were blown fully a quarter of a mile.

Five of the cars of one of the freights were wrecked. Three cars of that train contained dynamite, and everybody is expressing the greatest surprise that this did not explode. If it had the loss of life would have been terrible and probably would have exceeded that of the previous disaster. Nobody was injured in the accident.

Algire-Blake.

Sunday Mr. Peter Algire and Miss Margaret Blake drove to Olean and were married by Rev. Mather, returning Monday. "Pete" was a soldier of Uncle Sam for three years, his time of service expiring but a short time ago, and he will no doubt be a good recruit for the rank of benedicts, a soldier's duty being prompt obedience without question. But, then, the bride is a young lady of a genial disposition and has many friends here, and we believe the wishes of all for their happiness will be fulfilled. Mr. S. W. Jersey and Miss Ruby Rockwell accompanied the young couple to Olean. Monday Mr. and Mrs. Algire left for a short wedding trip.—Eldred Eagle.

Use the Redfield mantle.

SHAMROCK AFLOAT.

Lipton's New Yacht was Launched at Glasgow Yesterday. She is an Odd Looking Boat.

A press dispatch from Glasgow dated March 17 says:

Shamrock III, challenger for the America's cup, was successfully launched at [illegible] this afternoon. Lady Shaftesbury christened the yacht. An examination of Shamrock III, as the yacht was [illegible] in the launching [illegible] the Associated Press on the subject and [illegible] instead of trying to [illegible] However, Shamrock III is built close up to the [illegible] foot water line limit. Her length over all is 140 feet. The most [illegible] feature of the challenger is her extremely short [illegible]. It is just [illegible] feet. Her draught is 19 feet and the fin is almost level along the bottom. The body of the hull is drawn well down to the fin, suggesting the deep body typical of the British cutter [illegible] the extreme [illegible] from American [illegible] used in all [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] in stability [illegible] better boat or [illegible]. There are daring novel features in the design, the effect of which cannot be accurately gauged except by actual trial. They suggest the possibility of difficulty in getting the new boat to trim, steer and carry her canvas. If, however, she accomplishes these objects well she will prove to be far away the most formidable challenger ever sent out.

After the launch Sir Thomas Lipton said to a correspondent of the Associated Press: "My third and perhaps last shot at lifting the America's cup will be the most serious and I think the most hopeful of my efforts.

[illegible] Shamrock III will [illegible]. To my mind she is a [illegible] in which [illegible] and Watson have outdone themselves. With good trial races and no accidents her arrival in New York should mark the coming of the most formidable challenger ever sent over. I scarcely need add that much as I long to win, as I expect to, a third defeat will only increase my admiration for a people who can beat us at a game which was once our own.

"However," added Sir Thomas, laughing, "a third defeat is of course quite out of question."

Burglary at Colegrove.

On Tuesday of last week two burglars entered a small shanty occupied by August Noreen and stole everything the old gentleman had which was of any value. They gained an entrance through a window during the day while Mr. Noreen was at work. Later in the day they were seen going through Colegrove towards Clermont or Marvindale.

A writer from Colegrove tells the following which may lead to their capture: They claim to live in Somerset county and sometimes call themselves the King brothers. The older man is about 50 years of age, has a broad face and heavy beard. The other is considerably younger is taller and has a smooth face. When in need of food or lodging they apply to religious people, claiming to belong to the Holy church.

Mr. Noreen is a man well advanced in years, in poor health and can ill afford to stand the loss incurred by this burglary.

Struck by a Train.

Yesterday afternoon the 3:12 train struck the little child of an Italian by the name of Chambois, who lives on S. Railroad street. The train was stopped immediately and the child rescued from the ditch where it had been thrown. It was brought to town where Dr. Kerr investigated the damage, but could find no injury of a serious nature. It was what might be termed a hair-breadth escape.—Eldred Eagle.

Junior Auxiliary Fair.

The Junior Auxiliary of St. Luke's church hold their annual fair at the parish house the Monday and Tuesday evenings of Easter week, April 13th and 14th. At 7:30 there will be an operetta entitled, "A Dress Rehearsal," before the sale of fancy articles, candy and light refreshments.

Go to Holmes & Gilfillan for fishing tackle.

An Italian Shooting Affray.

A dispatch from Punxsutawney says: As a result of the shooting affray which took place Saturday night near Walston mines, two miles from here, Fortunato Persi, an Italian, aged 25, is dead, Frank Carcinal, another Italian, is in the hospital and may die, while Genorio Corn and Frank Carf, two of their companions, were slightly wounded. According to the statements of Carf and Corn the four Italians were walking past the boarding house of Petro Folino, when Folino, who was standing in the yard with two other men, saw them. He [illegible] the house and [illegible] shotgun and began firing [illegible] Persi, who fell mortally wounded. It is alleged that Petro Folino then reloaded his gun and walked out in the street and [illegible] shot him [illegible] having received the [illegible] died almost instantly. The body of Persi was removed to the [illegible] where it had lain until this morning, when it was removed to a nearby shanty. Folino fled after the shooting and has not been captured. The real cause for the shooting is not known.

[illegible]

[illegible] Description: [illegible] about 5 feet, [illegible] weight 140 to [illegible] pounds, round face, light complexion, brown hair, three lumps on neck, mole on lower jaw, large nose, mouth slightly [illegible] Clayton E. Palmer, Chief of Police."

Death of Chas. N. Barrett.

Again The Argus is called upon to chronicle the demise of a man who has been prominent in the upbuilding of our town. Charles N. Barrett, after a lingering illness of several months, passed from this life to the great beyond on [illegible] day morning. He was the eldest son of Solomon H. and Mary Manning [illegible] and was born in Olean, N. Y. [illegible] Company H, Forty Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry as a private and was afterward promoted to second lieutenant.

He was wounded at Chancellorsville and again at Cassville, Ga., during Sherman's campaign. He was mustered out of service in 1865 having four years of service to his credit. Returning to Port Allegany he followed his trade and in 1873 was associated with C. A. Dolley and his brother, George C. Barrett in building of the first planing mill in this borough. Later another brother, H. J. Barrett purchased the interest of Mr. Dolley and organized the firm that was for many years known as Barrett Bros. In 1881 George C. sold his interest in the plant and in 1885 H. J. died thus leaving the burden upon C. N. Barrett. In 1886 he sold the business to Hall & Grover who continued it until fire destroyed the plant. In Jan. 1888 he purchased a farm on Skinner creek and in 1895 moved thereon. * * *—Port Allegany Argus.

Attempted Hanging.

Two white boys, named respectively, Arthur Switzer and Archie O'Neill, were arrested yesterday on the charge of attempting to hang a colored lad named Robert Ragland, a son of the well known hackman, Willis Ragland. The three boys are aged about 12 to 13 years. Alderman Osborne, before whom they appeared, placed the youthful defendants under bail for a hearing to be held later.

It is asserted by young Ragland that on Saturday last the two boys overpowered him in a building on Water street, affixed a rope about his neck and strung him up, the rope cutting the skin and causing the lad's neck to bleed. The rope and a bloodstained collar were offered in evidence to show that the attempted hanging was no joking matter. Just why the would-be lynchers undertook to hang the colored boy is unknown. They may explain at their hearing.—Tuesday's Bradford Era.

Low Rates to Pacific Coast.

Climate unsurpassed, business opportunities never better. The Nickel Plate road will sell daily Feb. 15th to Apr. 30th special one-way tickets Buffalo, N. Y., to Pacific coast points at $42. Good connections at Buffalo with all lines from the east. Splendid trans-continental tourist car service every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Exceedingly low rates to other points in far west. Inquire of local agents or write R. E. Payne, Genl. Agt., 291 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y., or C. C. Lowry, T. P. A., Holland, N. Y.

AT THE LYCEUM.

The Irene Jeavons Company is Giving Good Satisfaction This Week

The Irene Jeavons company, which is holding the boards at the Lyceum this week, has been giving very satisfactory entertainments. On Monday evening "A Christian Heroine" was presented to an audience of over 500 people. This drama is a poorly constructed play and did not really please the audience. The cast seemed to realize this fact which did not add to their rendition of their parts.

Tuesday evening this company presented "[illegible] the Way" to [illegible] people, and in this [illegible] drama they [illegible] up for [illegible] Monday night. Irene Jeavons in the title role, took her part to perfection and every person in the cast showed good ability [illegible] deserved it.

Last night the attraction was the well known society play, "[illegible]" and the large audience seemed well pleased with the rendition by this company. All the parts were ably handled by the cast and although the play is an old one and has been seen a number of times it is safe to say that [illegible]

[illegible]

The attraction for this evening is [illegible] "Under Two Flags."

A Twenty Billion Dollar Country

When about a dozen years ago the appropriations by a single Congress for two years amounted to a billion of dollars there was much criticism by the minority of such lavishness, and the reply was that this was a billion dollar country, says the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Figures just brought to light show that this estimate was forty times too small, as the internal commerce of the country at wholesale prices amounts to twenty billions a year, a sum impossible to grasp, but the enormity of which is [illegible]

It must be considered that this is the gross amount and [illegible] profit, but the aggregate is large and astounding. It is true that there were many who did not come up to this average and many who got a great deal more, but it needs no figures to demonstrate to everyone that we are in the midst of a career of prosperity never before reached by any nation in the world and, fortunately, there is nothing to indicate that it is on the wane. The new Department of Commerce will look after this immense business in a general way, and much good is predicted from its workings. So enormous is our trade and so widespread our development that it would be possible to put a Chinese wall around the country and still permit us all to have practically every wish gratified. The foreign demand, however, is great and is becoming one of our chief factors of prosperity, since we are constantly producing a surplus.

Another item of cognate interest showing national development is furnished by the appropriations for the Postoffice Department, which will spend next year $153,000,000. Postoffice receipts are always taken as an index of prosperity. It is business that uses the mails and the sum mentioned is more than twice the sum appropriated in 1891. The sum for next year is greater even than the pension roll, and it is expected that all but ten millions of this will be paid by the public for the service and there would be an actual surplus except for the extension of the free rural mails. In the year before the Civil War the total expenses of the government for all purposes was not one-half what the postoffice will use next year. These things are important and impressive.

Notice

Mr. Frank W. Price, formerly manager and operator of the Smethport Turkish and Russian Bath Parlors, is reinstated in his old position at Mr. A. J. Enty's Turkish and Russian Bath Parlors, who has a Gymnasium and Physical Culture Instructor in addition to excellent Plunge. Gentlemen's side open day and night and Sunday until 2 p. m. Ladies' side open every day except Sunday; also open Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Health of patrons carefully looked after. When in the city please call on A. J. Enty, 67 Corydon St., Bradford, Pa.

For Sale.

A team, harness, wagon and sleighs all in good condition. Sold cheap to quick buyer. Address Powell & Gabriel, Cemetery St.

Do you want a heavy wagon or buggy? Call at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

A Sorority Farewell.

On Friday evening the [illegible] entertained [illegible] Miss Maud [illegible] and the spacious stairway [illegible] afforded [illegible] decoration. [illegible] with rugs and cozy corners [illegible] lows were scattered [illegible] and down the stairs. [illegible] rail were draped [illegible] In the upper hall [illegible] white [illegible]

[illegible] Miss Mayo and Miss [illegible] the guests passed [illegible]

The president, Miss [illegible] a few words of [illegible] the girls were [illegible]

[illegible]

Passing into the [illegible] they gathered around the piano to sing once more in an unbroken circle of girls. Sorority songs. Later in the evening refreshments were served upon the stairs. * *

William K. King Dead.

William K. King died at his home a mile below Ceres on Monday afternoon after a long illness, aged [illegible] years. He was born in the town of Ceres and his father, John King, was for many years agent for the Keating lands in that section of McKean county. After his [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. King [illegible] on the King [illegible] known [illegible] the Kings [illegible] hardships [illegible] pioneer life. Mr. King leaves two sons, John and George King, and three daughters, Mrs. F. H. Raymond, Mrs. W. G. Cornelison and Miss Elizabeth King. The funeral was held at Ceres at two o'clock yesterday. Among those from away who were present were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bell of Bradford.—Bolivar Breeze, March 12.

Small Pox Case Discovered.

A man by the name of Max Kellar came to Kane this morning on the flyer and went to the hospital to consult the physician in charge. He was found to be suffering from an attack of varioloid. As they could not take such a case at the institution the man was turned away and he started for the depot, saying he would go to Buffalo to be treated. The board of health secretary, H. K. Shaffer, was promptly notified and Health Officer Dilley, acting under instructions, locked the man up in the city building until arrangements could be made to provide a place for him. The depot has been thoroughly disinfected.—Saturday's Kane Republican.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the postoffice at Smethport for the week ending March 14, 1903.

Charley Anderson, C. Crawford, W. L. Burdick, C. E. Backs, R. Dafee, Miss Jessie Freeman, H. H. Canes, Geo. Hammett, Miss Madge Hill, Jas. Kenny 5, Miss Anna Marks.

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised." All unclaimed letters are sent to the Dead Letter Office two weeks from date of advertising.

J. C. GALLUP,
Postmaster.

For Sale.

I offer for sale all my household goods consisting of everything needed to furnish an ordinary house. None of the furniture is over two years old. Would prefer to sell all in a lump. Goods must be sold by April 1. Call on

DAVID TARR, SR.,
Hazelhurst, Pa.

Dr. Burg Chadwick.

Dr. Burg Chadwick has his office over the Palace Pharmacy where he will be pleased to meet all his old patients and friends. Prompt attention given to calls day or night.

If interested in saving gas read Redfield's ad.

"ALL ON AN APRIL DAY"

By Peter McArthur

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MAY RANDALL had cried her way to a solution of her difficulty. She had washed out the truth with tears, and having finally come to an irrevocable conclusion, she dried her eyes and acted on her decision.

"I always liked Harry," she meditated, "but he would torment the life out of me if I married him. I have no control of him now, and if I may judge by the experience of my married friends I would have still less after I married him. Besides, he never thinks of those little attentions that every woman looks for, but just takes it for granted that if he is satisfied I should be. Well, it is his own fault, and he must bear the consequences."

With this last remark she sealed a little note and addressed it to Mr. Henry Kennedy. Its contents were about as follows:

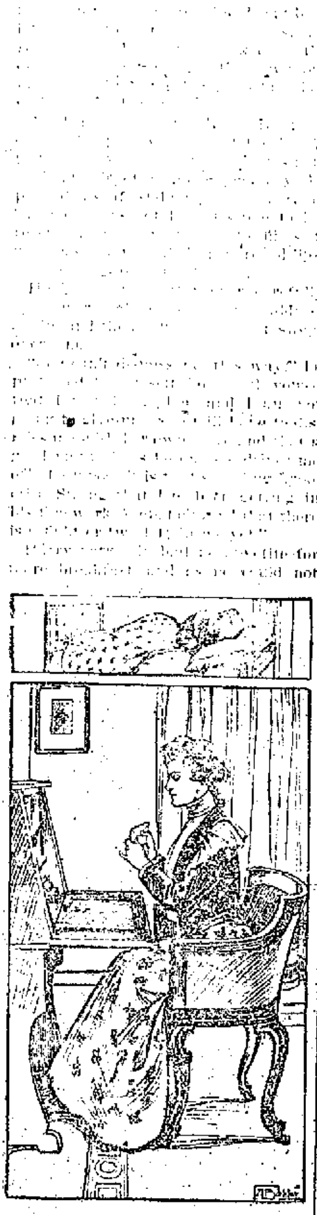
> Dear Harry: After careful thought I have [illegible] MAY.

He [illegible] this [illegible] paper and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] MAY.

[illegible]



SHE SEALED THIS LETTER.

rush to May to plead his case at that hour he started to walk to his office in as bad temper as could well be imagined. But he was one of those fortunate men who are spurred to higher achievement by every repulse and who never yield weakly to defeat, and, best of all, he was usually good natured and did not let things worry him. In consequence the rapid walk worked off the savagery of his mood, and he was able to begin work without any outward sign of his inward displeasure except perhaps a more caustic tinge to the humor with which he habitually greeted his friends and customers. Being busy most of the forenoon, he had no chance to think much of his trouble or to lay down any plan for his future campaign with May, but he certainly was not expecting a call from his rival, and his surprise was great when he was going out to lunch to have his enemy come along wearing a most superior smile.

"How do, Harry?" Strong exclaimed cheerily, extending his hand.

"Hello!" said Harry with affected good humor, though Strong was about the last person on his visiting list that he wanted to see just then.

"I thought I would come around and ask you to come and have lunch with me," said Strong. "It is a long time since we have had a chat."

"I am your man," said Harry cheerfully. "Lead the way."

They were well on with their lunch before anything happened to show the undercurrent of feeling that existed between them. They had confined the conversation to commonplaces, but at last the name of May was mentioned.

"The little fool!" exclaimed Harry hotly, for he was so accustomed to ex

[illegible]

[illegible]

"I beg your [illegible]," said Strong with a great [illegible]

"By what right?" asked Kennedy in [illegible]

"The right of a [illegible] husband," said Strong [illegible]

"Since when?" asked Kennedy in tones of [illegible]

"Since this morning."

"Then you have seen her this morning?"

"No, but I [illegible] proposed to her and [illegible]

[illegible]

"What are you driving at?"

[illegible]

Strong's face turned positively green, and [illegible]

[illegible]

"Well, you're so easy," said Harry. "Now, I suppose you intend going up there tonight to let her say April fool to you. I have no doubt it would 'interest' you, as she says."

"But you surely don't think," said Strong [illegible], "that Miss Randall would jest with so sacred a subject."

"My dear fellow, that only goes to show how little you know of Miss Randall."

"But—but"—

Harry saw that he had his rival distressed and resumed the attack on other lines.

"If you have the nerve to go up and call on Miss Randall tonight in the face of that, I'll buy you the best dinner in town tomorrow."

"Who said I was going to call on her tonight?" exclaimed Strong hotly as he flung himself out of the restaurant.

"Well, that puts him out of the way for awhile," said Harry to himself. "Wild horses wouldn't drag him up there tonight."

Early that evening Miss Randall was shocked to be informed that Harry Kennedy was in the parlor waiting for her to come down.

"What impudence!" she exclaimed. "But that will give me an excuse to give him such a dismissal as he deserves."

When May entered the parlor with all the dignity she could assume, Harry greeted her with a teasing laugh and cried:

"April fool!"

"Sir!" she exclaimed frigidly. Harry laughed more loudly than before.

"Oh, you needn't think," he said, "that you could steal a march on me like that. I didn't overlook the fact that this is April fool's day, and your little joke about giving me the mitten is no good."

"But I meant every word of it!" she cried angrily.

"Well, I haven't accepted it, and that's where I April fool you."

May flounced across the room, too angry to make any reply.

"You see, if you hadn't tried to April fool Strong, too, I wouldn't have tried to get back at you."

"I April fool Will Strong!" she cried. "What do you mean?"

"You sent him an April fool acceptance of his proposal, didn't you?"

"I did no such thing. I sent him an honest acceptance, and if you were a gentleman you would not stay where you are not wanted. He may be here any minute."

"Begging your pardon, madam, Will Strong will not be here this evening. Do you suppose he wants to give you a chance to laugh at him? I assure you he is too sensitive for that."

"How do you know so much about what he thinks?"

"We had lunch together today, and he showed me your note."

"And he believes I wrote it as an April fool joke?"

"He certainly did when we parted."

"Oh, I'll never forgive him!"

"That's good," said Harry with mock humility. "But I am going to be better natured. I am going to forgive you freely for the shock you gave me before I remembered it was the 1st of April."

"But I don't want your forgiveness. I don't want to talk to you."

After a few minutes' silence Harry went over to the sofa where May was sitting and sat down beside her.

"May," he whispered.

Her only reply was a shrug of her shoulder.

"Can I never make you understand how much I love you?"

"You love to boss me and tyrannize over me."

"Can't you understand that I am doing that now because I will never have a chance after we are married? I am one of the sort of fellows that a girl like you will twist around her finger, and it is because I know it that I pretend that you can't [illegible]"

"Oh, I know I [illegible]"

"But if I do [illegible] I would never let anybody or anything else [illegible] it."

[illegible]

"MAY," HE WHISPERED.

were sweet and touching, and before the time had expired they both felt instinctively that they understood one another as never before.

At 9 o'clock May rose and penned a note to Will, saying that since he had suspected her note to be an April fool joke he might still continue to think it one. Then she came back to Harry in a way that showed that his strong nature completely dominated hers.

"Of course that settles his case," said Harry plaintively, "but still you do not love me."

"April fool!" she said mischievously as she put up her face to be kissed.

"April fool yourself," said Harry rapturously, "for you were sure you did not love me."

Helped Him Along.

"Then there is such a thing as heart failure, is there, doctor?" said the handsome young widow.

"Certainly, madam," responded the bashful young physician. "The records of the profession are full of"—

"It's a perfectly unnecessary disease, isn't it, doctor?"

On this hint he spake.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Human Nature.

"What are the respective ages of the father and the son?"

"Well, I judge that the former is over fifty, because I notice he likes to be called 'my boy,' and that the latter is under twenty-five, for the reason that it pleases him to be addressed as 'old man.'"—Smart Set.

An Engaging Young Person.

Father—So Flimy Luhring is engaged to young Rattles? Let me see; wasn't she engaged to somebody else a little while ago?

Daughter—Somebody else, father? Why, in our set no engagement is considered complete without her.—Brooklyn Life.

Scrubbing the Landscape.

Hubbub—How bright and clean everything looks out here!

Subbub—Yes; we had a couple of detectives scouring the country last week.—Philadelphia Record.

The eyes of other people are the eyes that ruin us.—Franklin.

MOIRA HOUSE.

The Elegance of Which Wesley Wrote Has Long Departed.

John Wesley was the guest of Lady Moira at Moira House, Usher's island, Dublin, in 1775. Writing of the house, the great Methodist said: "I was surprised to observe, though not a more grand, yet a far more elegant room than any I have ever seen in England. It was an octagon about 20 feet square and 15 or 16 feet high, having one window—the sides of it inlaid throughout with mother of pearl reaching from the top of the room. The ceiling, sides, furniture of the room were equally elegant. And must this, too, pass away like a dream?"

Half a century ago the elegance of which Wesley wrote departed from Moira House. The Mendicity institution dismantled it, took down the interior decorations and covered the gardens with offices. It is today as dismal looking a place as is to be seen in or around the Irish capital, which has many reminders that it was once a capital in deed as well as in name. Among other notable visitors to Moira House in the days of its glories was Charles James Fox, who there met Henry Grattan. It was in Moira House, too, that Pamela found a refuge while her husband, Lord Edward Fitzgerald, was dying in Dublin Newgate not far away across the river Liffey.

A Feat of Memory.

Some light is thrown on the possibilities of memory culture by an interesting [illegible] contained in the autobiography of Robert Houdin, the famous [illegible] the [illegible] to the chamber beyond, to describe the arrangement of the chamber and to read the titles of the volumes on the shelves of the book cases. This feat the young [illegible] accomplished, to the astonishment of the [illegible]

Where Barley Is Cultivated.

Barley extends over a wider climatic range than any of the other crops and is successfully cultivated over a great [illegible]

A Lost Civilization.

The [illegible] secrets [illegible] the interior of the nation by a cognization of electricity as a [illegible] power of [illegible] of the present day.

This form of electricity is among the lost arts and must come to the front with other grand discoveries within the next few years. But not the great and learned shall have the benefit of this forthcoming discovery in electricity. The one who shall have this golden key to a grand electric mystery shall have the fruits of his labors.

Contagious Diseases Among Plants.

All the fungous diseases of plants, such as mildew, scab, blight, rust, rot, etc., are contagious. The contagion is carried from year to year in the diseased part, be it leaf, fruit or branch. The presence of any of this diseased material in the orchard or vineyard increases the chance of the appearance and spread of the disease another year. Nothing is so destructive to the fungus spores as fire, and all affected plants or parts of plants should be cut out and burned.

Dressing It Up.

A Jasper county farmer paid a high tribute to the literary talents of a Carthage real estate agent the other day. He decided to sell his place and got a real estate agent to write a notice. When the agent read the notice to him, he said, "Read that again." After the second reading he said: "I believe I'll not sell. I've been looking for a place of that kind all my life and didn't know I had it until you described it to me."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

An Unfortunate Sequence.

"Rev. Mr. Stern's remarks over poor John were so sympathetic, I thought," said the widow's friend.

"Sympathetic?" replied the widow. "He said John had gone to join the great majority.'"

"Well?"

"Well, in his sermon several Sundays ago he declared that the great majority of people go below."

Almost a Century Plant.

Minister (to one of his members, a venerable old gardener)—You have reached a great age, John.

John—'Deed ha'e I, sir, for gin I leeve till the 11th of next month I'll be an octogeranium.—Glasgow Times.

The Proper Missile.

Judge—And what did you do to curb his passion?

Prisoner—Hit him with a piece of curbstone.—Town and County.

A LONG SENTENCE.

One That Discounted the Longest One Evarts Ever Uttered.

Abram S. Hewitt had a very nimble wit and dearly loved a joke. He was once a guest at a dinner which included Recorder Smyth and Senator Evarts. The recorder was poking fun at the senator and read from a newspaper clipping what purported to be a sentence from a recent speech made by the senator, but which was in reality wholly fictitious, as the senator knew quite well. At its conclusion the laugh was long and hearty at Mr. Evarts' expense, and no one laughed longer or heartier than the senator himself.

As soon as the laughter had subsided Mr. Hewitt suddenly leaned across the table and, looking rather sternly into the smiling face of the recorder, said in a well assumed tone of reproach:

"That certainly is a remarkable sentence, your honor, but criticism of it does not come well from you if today's newspapers are to be believed, for they contain a sentence of much greater length which is attributed to you."

"Why—why, how is that, Mr. Hewitt?" inquired the recorder, with considerable confusion.

"Because," said Mr. Hewitt, with the utmost gravity and that grim smile which always accompanied his best sayings, "you are there quoted as uttering a sentence that was to last through the whole life of the prisoner."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Usual Way.

A man had a piece of news.
A reporter heard of it.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

"[illegible] years!"

Query—Who was it that should the public [illegible] to get even the reporter who did his best, or the arrogant fool who deliberately refused to help him?—Baltimore American.

Animals and Rain.

It seems strange that no animal, [illegible] large [illegible]—London Spectator.

No Misers In Burma.

When a Burman has earned a little money he immediately proceeds to spend it all, for the Burmese have no ambition to be rich and never hoard. Consequently there are no large landowners, and, there being no aristocracy, the people are as near being on an equality as possible. Poor people are quite as rare as rich people, and the only beggars to be met with are the lepers, who sit on the steps of the pagodas. Should a Burman find himself in possession of a large sum of money he builds a pagoda and possibly a zayat, or resthouse. If any money still remains, he gives a theatrical performance.

An Advantage From Fogs.

In speaking of fogs a medical journal draws some consolation from the fact that even fogs have one compensating advantage which has often been overlooked. "It is," it says, "reasonable to suppose that a fog effects a partial purification of the atmosphere. This is borne out by the fact that when a fog subsides the deposits contain the carbon, sulphur, organic bases and other injurious and irritating particles which formerly existed in a state of suspension in the atmosphere."

In Holland.

Many of the country dames and damsels in Holland look as if they had been brought up on soap and water. Their faces glisten so preternaturally, their pots and pans, the red tiles of their floors, their tables and benches all bear witness so unmistakably to their cleansing ardor. I suppose a fly in the butter they were churning or a mired foot on the boards they have but just scrubbed would be as nearly likely to give them a fit as anything could be.—Chambers' Journal.

Up Against It.

"Don't go in there, children," cautioned the wife of the struggling poet, listening a moment to sounds as of a strong man in distress that came from the other room.

"Why not?" they asked.

"Your father is trying to find a rhyme for 'scrofulous.'"—Chicago Tribune.

His Costly Conversation.

Tired Tatters—Dey say dat sum uv dem poets git $1 a word.

Weary Walker—Dat's nuttin.' I got $2 a word wunst.

Tired Tatters—Wot fer?

Weary Walker—Fer sassin' de judge.—Chicago News.

The Reason.

Smithly (just returned after a long absence)—Is Brown still attentive to your daughter?

Oldboy—No.

Smithly—She jilted him, then?

Oldboy—No, she married him.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Attend the New Lyceum to-night.

—James Herriman has broken ground for a new house on Bank street.

—Charles N. Bates has rented the La Bayer farm near Clermont and will take possession of the same April 1st.

—All persons who have not paid their taxes for 1902 should read the notice in another column. It may save you costs.

—The small-pox scare reported from Port Allegany last week is over. Diphtheria was the disease and the patient has recovered.

—Waldo Sasse of Smethport is assisting W. T. Griffith at his clothing store during the absence of Frank Evans.—Kane Republican.

—Bradford sportsmen are going to hire a game warden this season and prosecute all who do any illegal fishing this year in that vicinity.

—Miss Anna M. W. Pennypacker, daughter of Governor Pennypacker, graduated last week from the Pennsylvania Hospital Training School for Nurses at Harrisburg.

—Bryce Kinney, an erstwhile Port Allegany boy who has many friends throughout the county, has been appointed gas supervisor of the State of Indiana, at a salary of $4,000 per year.

—Anna Lundgreb, daughter of Sone Lundgren, and one of the most highly respected young ladies of Mt. Jewett; died at her home Monday, March 9, after an illness of but ten days' duration of spinal meningitis.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

—Solger Serrinson, a four-year-old boy of Mt. Jewett wandered into the woods on Thursday last and was not found until nearly noon Friday, although a large party searched for him all night. Aside from a severe chill, it is thought the little fellow suffered no injury.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Martin of Smethport, former residents of this city, have purchased the Wheeler Hakes residence on Ward annex and will remove here about April 1st. Mr. Martin is traveling for the Detroit Stove works. Mrs. Martin was formerly Miss Elizabeth Hakes.—Wellsville Democrat.

—Miller Reese Hutchinson, a young Alabamian, has invented an electric appliance which gives hearing to the most deaf. The invention consists principally of a transmitter, an ear piece and a small electric battery. The penetrating quality of the electric sound wave apparently disregards the mechanism of the outer ear and affects the inner ear direct.

—James Kohl was displaying about town Monday a small piece of rock heavily laden with some sort of metal which bore evidences of being of a valuable variety. James claims there is a large quantity of the rock but refused to make known its location. Perhaps he has found a gold mine.—Coudersport Enterprise.

—The celebration of the 99th anniversary of the founding of McKean county, which will be held on the 26th inst., in Bradford, under the direction of the McKean County Historical Society should be entered into with enthusiasm and interest by all our citizens. It will be both instructive and inspiring.—Bradford Star.

—The planing mill at Port Allegany belonging to the Dalrymple estate was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The fire broke out about 11 o'clock and on account of an iron roof and the denseness of the smoke the firemen could do little to retard the flames. Some of the lumber in the yard was saved. Damage is estimated at nearly $10,000, which is nearly covered by insurance. The mill probably will not be rebuilt.

—To relieve saloonkeepers of the responsibility of selling to minors, who misrepresent their age, Representative Coll of Philadelphia, has introduced a bill in the Legislature making it a misdemeanor subject to a fine of $50 and thirty days imprisonment for any minor to knowingly enter a saloon for purpose of securing such intoxicants, a man of intemperate habits being subject to the same penalty. This, to a certain extent, would throw the responsibility on the purchaser instead of the saloonkeeper.—Exchange.

—Dr. John Curry was arrested at his home near Friendship, N. Y., on Friday last, charged with imprisoning and misusing Miss Estella May Johnson, aged 20, of Niagara Falls Center, Ont. Miss Johnson came to Dr. Curry's place in answer to an advertisement which stated he wanted a young lady to assist in his office and learn the medical profession. She was forced to do the chores about the barn and farm; her clothing was taken away from her and men's garments given her and she was watched so she could not escape until her sister came to visit her and had her persecutor arrested.

Homeseekers' Excursions.

The Nickel Plate road will sell special round-trip homeseekers' excursion tickets first and third Tuesdays each month until April, 1903, at exceedingly low rates. Through service from New York City and intermediate points via D. L. & W. and W. S. roads. Three fast through trains each way daily. Inquire of local agents or write R. E. Payne, Genl. Agt., 291 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y., or C. C. Lowry, T. P. A., Holland, N. Y.

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A Skillful Advertiser.

Many years ago [illegible] Thomas Lipton was a passenger [illegible] [illegible] Then, to the astonishment of the captain and passengers, he cheerfully labeled each box and hurled it overboard, "Use Lipton's Teas." The waves of course floated ashore and for miles in Arabia and other lands the natives saw that legend. Subsequently the passengers on the broken steamer were compelled to abandon her and take to small boats. The nearest land Sir Thomas was the first to make a cable office and wire the destruction of the boat and safety of the travelers to London. The message was signed "Lipton." Of course his name was in every English newspaper the next morning, signed to that message, and he was the best advertised man in the kingdom.

Unappreciated.

The shrewdness of one of the founders of a famous estate in Maine [illegible] stories, one of which has recently been retold.

One day [illegible] who was a [illegible] was superintending a crew which was breaking up a log jam in the river. Suddenly the spruce on which he was standing slipped. The [illegible] dropped out of sight in the water, and the logs closed over him.

The nearest Frenchman saw the accident. Hopping briskly over the slippery logs, he helped the "boss" to land.

Nothing was said about the accident. After an hour or so the Frenchman began [illegible] because the reward which [illegible] was not forthcoming. He approached the master [illegible]

"[illegible] you [illegible]"

[illegible]

The Early Maine Schools.

[illegible] for want of a better place in which to instruct the young idea, was held [illegible] Dexter the first gathering of urchins for instruction was in "Lieutenant Stafford's barn." In Corinth the first school was held in the open air under a large tree.

The first schoolroom in Exeter was perhaps as unique as any. Crotched poles were set in the ground back of Mr. [illegible]'s barn and on these other poles were laid, while around the sides loose boards were set up on end to inclose the space where the school was held. [illegible] of the present day would look askance at such conveniences.

An Old Legacy.

A Wool [illegible] resident in the sixteenth century left $[illegible] to provide annually on St. Thomas' day three gowns and three coats to indigent persons of the parish. Following the custom of the times, the money was invested in land. In this case in other [illegible] the original legacy has increased [illegible] to $5,000. Instead of the three gowns and three coats the charity commissioners who administer the funds are able to present 200 gowns and sixty coats.

Castor Oil.

A simple method of taking castor oil, according to Medical News, without producing any nauseating effects is to instruct the patient to wash out the mouth with water as hot as can be borne, swallow a little of it, then swallow the oil and follow this by rinsing out the mouth well with hot water. The first swallow of the water cleanses the mouth, makes the membranes hot, so that the oil does not stick, and consequently slips down easily.

Hard to Please.

Brown—You don't look very happy, Dumley.

Dumley—I have just lost a fiver on a bet.

Brown—That's bad.

Dumley—Yes. I had an awful attack of rheumatism this morning, and that young squirt of a doctor, Tipsalve, bet me a fiver he could cure it before night. And I'll be hanged if he didn't win the money!

A Giant Emperor.

Maximinus, the giant Roman emperor, could twist coins into corkscrews, powder hard rocks between his fingers and do other seemingly impossible things. When angered he often broke the jaw of a horse or the skull of an ox with his fist. His wife's bracelet served him for a ring, and every day he ate sixty pounds of meat and drank an amphora of wine.

From the Courts.

High above the buzz of factories, the clang of trolley gongs and the clatter of traffic rose a crash that terrified the visitor to America.

"I hear that noise wherever I go," said he. "What is it?"

"Don't be alarmed," we replied. "That's only somebody's relatives breaking his will."—Newark News.

The Trouble With the Clock.

"What time is it?" asked his wife suspiciously as he came in.

"About 1."

Just then the clock struck 3.

"Gracious! When did the clock commence to stutter?" he said, with a feeble attempt at justification and a joke.

A 'Prentice Hand.

"That man you had doing some carpenter work is a fraud."

"How do you know? He did good work."

"That may be, but he's no carpenter. He cleared up the mess he made."—Judge.

Sin has many tools, but a lie is the handle that fits them all.—Holmes.

Pedigrees of Arabian Horses.

The [illegible] [illegible] probably by horse dealers, Egyptian, Syrian or Persian. The [illegible] of every horse is a matter of common knowledge, and it would be impossible for his owner to fabricate pedigree so as to deceive the natives, even if he were so inclined. The Bedouins, it seems necessary to admit, are in general great liars, and they will lie to a strangers about the age, the qualities or the ownership of a horse, but they will not lie about his pedigree, even when they can do so with impunity. To be truthful on this subject is almost a matter of religion, certainly a point of honor in the desert.—Atlantic.

Animals That Delight to Play.

In animals the faculty of amusement awakes very early. Our four footed friends seem to be aware of this and make it a part of their parental duties to amuse their young. A ferret will play with her kittens, a cat with hers, a dog with her puppies. A mare will play with her foal, though the writer has never seen a cow try to amuse her calf or any birds their young. If their mothers do not amuse them, the young ones invent games of their own.—London Tit-Bits.

The Coldness of Space.

Away out in space is a cold so intense that we fairly fail to grasp its meaning. Perhaps 300 or 400 degrees below the freezing point of water, some philosophers think, are the dark recesses beyond our atmosphere. And night and day, summer and winter, this insatiate space is robbing us of our heat and fighting with desperate power to reduce our globe to its own bitter chill.

Better Left Unsaid.

Mrs. [illegible] go home [illegible] Stay and have dinner [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] Thank you. It isn't [illegible]—Chicago News.

Before putting to sea say one prayer, before going to war say two prayers, before getting married say three prayers.—Spanish Proverb.

Never argue at the dinner table, for the one who is not hungry always gets the best of the bargain.—Colton.

The Truth About Lung Troubles

Chapter I. Severe climate. (Thermometer has been known to drop 50 degrees in 50 minutes.) Sun hot, wind cold.

Chapter II. A hard cold. A touch of the grip. Don't seem to get well.

Chapter III. Hacking cough. (Guess it will wear off when warm weather comes.)

Chapter IV. Doctor says left lung is affected.

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Isn't it pitiable? The more so since common cough-cures don't cure a hacking cough. They only temporarily dry it up and upset the stomach. The cause is still there.

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The primaries of the Republican party of McKean county are hereby called to be held in the several election districts of the county at their respective voting places on Saturday, the 25th day of April, 1903 at the usual hours, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices, to-wit:

One person for the office of judge of the 48th judicial district of Pennsylvania.

One person for the office of Jury Commissioner.

Also for the purpose of electing one person as member of the County Republican committee from each election district.

Also for the purpose of electing three persons as delegates to the State Republican convention which is to be held in the city of Harrisburg on Wednesday, the 27th day of May, 1903, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices, to-wit: One person for the office of State Treasurer, one person for the office of Auditor General, two persons for the office of Judge of the Superior Court.

And the Republican County Committee is hereby called to meet in convention at the Court House in Smethport on Tuesday, the [illegible] day of April [illegible] o'clock p. m., for the purpose of [illegible] the returns of said primaries [illegible] and [illegible] Congress [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] W. [illegible]

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

[illegible]

[illegible] subject to the decision of the Republican primaries April 25.

THOMAS L. [illegible]

Smethport, Pa., March [illegible] 1903.

[illegible] subject to the [illegible] of the Republican county convention [illegible] April 25.

[illegible]

JURY COMMISSIONER.

FOR JURY COMMISSIONER. [illegible] announce [illegible] Pierce [illegible] the office of Jury Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Twp., [illegible] Pa., March [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] W. [illegible] the [illegible]

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[illegible] Morgan [illegible] a large collection of art. He has purchased a large collection in foreign countries and he says it would cost him $1,000,000 in duty to bring it to the United States. We feel sorry for Mr. Morgan, but owing to the fact that some of our subscribers do not pay us in advance we cannot help him out.

In its proper place in this issue of the MINER appears the announcement of John Hafner of Clermont for Jury Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries. Mr. Hafner has been a resident of McKean county for forty five years, coming here to work for Gen. Thomas L. Kane at the close of the civil war. Subsequently he purchased a farm in Hamlin township, where he resided for twenty-seven years, afterward moving to Mt. Alton and later to Clermont where he now makes his home. Although he has held many township offices of trust Mr. Hafner has never during his long residence in McKean asked for county office until the present time. Being a man well known for ability and integrity he will make a strong candidate.

At the head of these columns appears the announcement of Joseph W. Bouton as a candidate for President Judge of the 48th Judicial District of Pennsylvania. Judge Bouton needs no introduction to the people of this county, having for so many years occupied a leading position at the McKean county bar and bearing a reputation throughout the state as an able and brilliant attorney. We will not at this time attempt to give a sketch of his career, having so recently published a brief account of his life, but suffice it to say that his fine legal attainments, his well known love of justice and his unimpeachable personal integrity make him the ideal candidate for President Judge of this district. It is asserted by well informed persons that Mr. Bouton will have no opposition for the nomination or election, which happy consummation would be a deserved tribute to his worth as a man and a jurist.

SENATOR MATSON is an advocate of public road improvements with state aid, and in relation to his efforts in that line the Pittsburg Times says: Senator Matson of McKean county has a bill before the legislature providing for the help of the state in the improvement of public roads. Senator Matson is an oil man and a wide-awake business man who has occasion to depend on the public roads for the promotion of much of his development. He knows from practical experience that the roads in Pennsylvania are simply wretched. There is no excuse for such conditions, for Pennsylvania is no longer a new and undeveloped territory. For over a century we have tolerated vile roads, putting off improvement on the ground of poverty and the youth of the country. To-day the state treasury is so full that it is a continual temptation to every person who has a nest to feather, from the impecunious school board of the rural township to the multiplying army of charities that stand at the door of the legislature to demand favors. Pennsylvania has not neglected her charities nor her schools. She has been so generous that a pernicious practice of leaning too much on the state is growing. However, without lugging anything else into the discussion, Mr. Matson has presented a bill for the improvement of the roads, and with a revenue sufficient to undertake the work on a systematic and intelligent basis there is no reason why the bill should not be favorably entertained. It may be argued that the duty of road making is a local one, but it is not any more so than the duty of school making. The commerce of the state is a factor of general public welfare. The time has gone by when the individual or the township can get as good results as can be obtained through the co-operation of the whole Commonwealth. The success of the schools under state encouragement is all the argument needed for state help to the roads.

Washington Letter.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, March 16, 1903.

The Republican members of the Senate have [illegible] their program for the special session and hope to adjourn not later than the end of this week. [illegible] will [illegible] the Cuban treaty [illegible] will be [illegible] will vote to [illegible] the United States [illegible] will pass with the [illegible] and will face the elimination of article IV which provides that under no circumstances will the United States acquire territory at the expense of Colombia or any other South American republic. Both of these amendments have been given careful consideration by the Republican steering committee which subsequently determined to ratify the treaty as negotiated. In some respects the amendments would be very desirable, but Secretary Hay advised the leaders of the Senate that any amendment would reopen the whole question [illegible] warrant that [illegible]

[illegible] the Cuban treaty [illegible] Republicans have [illegible] an amendment [illegible] the committee [illegible] the Cuban treaty. Its ratification of which is regarded as assured, will be taken as soon after the approval of the Panama treaty as possible and will be followed by immediate adjournment. A hearing has been had on the Hay-Bond Newfoundland treaty but there is no intention of reporting it out of committee and the best authorities in the Senate say it will never be ratified.

President Roosevelt is much chagrined at the amendment to be attached to the Cuban treaty and is seriously considering calling the Fifty-eight Congress in special session next November, as soon as practicable after the fall elections. He characterizes the amendment accepted by the Republicans as "a concession to the enemies of Cuban reciprocity" and holds that under the circumstances he would be fully justified in calling a special session immediately. The leaders of the party, however, would oppose a special session at any time before the fall elections, but there are many good reasons why a special session should be called at that time. Next year will be a Presidential year and an early adjournment of Congress, in order that the campaign may not be interfered with, will be desired. The Democrats propose to engage in a long tariff discussion and were Congress to meet a few weeks before the first Monday in December they might be accommodated without interfering with the public business. The President believes that the Cuban treaty should be put in operation before this year's Cuban sugar crop is marketed, but this argument is met by leading Senators with the assertion that the sugar buyers will anticipate the reduction in the tariff and the only effect of delay in modifying the tariff schedules will be to keep Cuban sugar a little longer in bonded warehouses. Mr. Roosevelt's argument that no time should be lost before securing control of the Cuban trade, however, seems unanswerable.

There is every prospect of important financial legislation at the next session of Congress. The Senate has adopted a resolution, reported by Senator Aldrich, authorizing the committee on Finance to sit during the recess and investigate, "customs, internal revenue, coinage, etc." It is known that there will be no attempt to modify or change the tariff schedules and, in view of the failure of the Aldrich financial bill in the Senate and of the Fowler currency bill in the House, it is believed that an effort will be made by the Finance committee to frame a general financial bill which will remedy some of the defects in the present system. It is generally believed that the Fowler bill, which provides for a flat currency, could never pass the Senate, that body having on several occasions put itself on record as opposed to fiat currency. It is also recalled that the last successful financial measure was framed during a recess of Congress, a joint committee of both Houses meeting for the purpose at Atlantic City.

The President has determined upon a quiet but thorough reorganization of the government departments and to that end has called upon five of the younger heads of bureaus. Mr. Roosevelt is a great believer in young men and all of those invited to confer with him on the systemization and coordination of the government work are known as representing the younger and more energetic element in the service. They are Charles D. Walcott representing the Interior Department, General William Crozier, representing the War Department, Admiral Francis T. Bowles, representing the Navy Department, Gifford Pinchot, representing the Agricultural Department and James R. Garfield, representing the Department of Commerce and Labor. It is anticipated that a material saving in time and money and the duplication of work will be effected as a result of the report of this committee.

The Anthracite Coal Strike Commission is still in session but is rapidly bringing its labors to a close and expects to make its report to the President the latter part of this week. No indication of the nature of the report is obtainable and it may be said that all dispatches purporting to outline the findings of the Commission have been [illegible]

The Secretary of the Interior has announced five irrigation projects which have been definitely settled and one other which will probably be selected in the near future. These [illegible] the Sweetwater dam, Wyoming, the Milk river project, Montana, the [illegible] Nevada [illegible] Salt river [illegible] Arizona. The project [illegible] Gunnison [illegible] several others are being [illegible] The estimated cost of the projects already authorized is $[illegible] and it is estimated that they will irrigate [illegible] acres. As soon as these lands are irrigated they will be sold at $[illegible] per acre plus the cost of irrigation.

"I wrote to Dr. Pierce for advice though I thought surely I would die."

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Weak and sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, *free*, and so obtain without charge or fee the advice of a specialist upon diseases peculiar to women. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

The invitation to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, *free*, is not to be confused with offers of "free medical advice" made by irresponsible persons who are not physicians and are professionally and legally disqualified for the practice of medicine.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a safe and reliable remedy for the cure of womanly ills. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness.

FREE. Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser is sent *free* on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing *only*. Send 21 one-cent stamps for the book in paper covers, or 31 stamps for the cloth-bound volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

BEN HUR FLOUR

AN INTRODUCTION.

Let us make you acquainted with the latest addition to our flour family—**Ben Hur.** There's a striking difference in flours; more noticeable after you have used several and compared the results. **Ben Hur** flour loses nothing by comparison and is sure to win its way to the heart of every housewife in Smethport. It is ground from the best selected Minnesota and Dakota wheat by the Royal Milling Co. of Minneapolis—the home of the flour industry. Much care is given the grinding of **Ben Hur.** It is finer ground than most Northern flour and therefore works easier, makes more even dough, producing lighter, sweeter and better bread, cakes and pastry. We are so confident of the success of **Ben Hur** that we will guarantee it to yield better results, more perfect satisfaction and **more loaves** to the **sack** than any other flour, or cheerfully refund the money. Could we offer a fairer inducement? Wont you try a sack of **Ben Hur Flour?**

A PROPOSITION.

Ben Hur flour sells for $1.30 per sack. It's worth every cent of it, too. In order to introduce this wonderful flour we will for one week sell it for $1.17 the sack.

SHEPARD & GALLUP,
The Leading Grocers.

A Grouchy Husband

will recover his sweet disposition if these are on the breakfast table: Our Uncle Jerry's Buckwheat, 3 pkgs for 25c Pure Maple Syrup One dollar per gallon and Banner Oats or Mother's Crushed Oats.

J. COLEGROVE,
SMETHPORT, PA.
Next to Bank.

Fancy Prices Trampled Underfoot

at our store. No matter how tempted we never allow profits to exceed what is reasonable. That is why our

FOOTWEAR

is sold at such remarkably low prices.

Our standard of value is regulated by ourselves. It is the highest in this town. We sell

Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes

at prices which cannot be duplicated.

Anderson & Carlson,
Smethport, Pa.

Shattered Health

can be repaired. There are remedies, if not certain cures, here for every ailment under the sun. Our stock of

Drugs and Medicines

is the most complete in the city. May be necessary for the physician to decide what the medicine shall be. We can fill his

Prescriptions

by compounding accurately the purest and freshest drugs. What cannot be found in our line of Proprietary Articles cannot be considered the best. We carry all that are good.

L. K. Hogarth,
Leading Druggist.
Opp. Court House, SMETHPORT.

THE COLUMBUS ARC LAMP.

These lamps are constructed upon stricly scientific principles and have a standard reputation for quality, appearance and brilliancy. The Lamp gives over 100% candle power over the old way of lighting with single gas burners, with the same amount of gas consumed. Call and get our prices.

EDGAR W. STRONG,
BOTH PHONES. RUBIN BLOCK. Smethport.

DISSOLUTION SALE.

The old firm of H. W. Rubin & Co. has on this day (March 3, 1903,) been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be conducted at the old stand by H. W. Rubin. By March 25 Mr. Rubin has to realize a great deal of cash in order to make his obligations good, so will offer his stock of

Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Boots, Shoes and Hats,

to the Public at a

GREAT SACRIFICE.

Remember the date only to March 25. Come early and secure first choice. Yours respectfully,

H. W. RUBIN.

PRICES OF WOOLEN GOODS REDUCED.

Spring will soon be here and in order to make room for new goods now being received, have decided to reduce prices on all my woolen goods.

All odd pieces of men's, women's and children's underwear will be sold at cost, and many pairs of woolen hose have been placed on the bargain counter, where if you can find anything that will fit or suit you, you can get a bargain.

Will also sell felt slippers and shoes at cost while they last. Have only a few pair left.

Call and look over bargains before it is too late for they will go rapidly at prices I have put upon them.

D. C. YOUNG,
SMETHPORT, PA., Dec. 29, 1902.

New Spring AND Summer Patterns

We wish to call your attention to our new line of Patterns for Spring and Summer

SUITS, OVERCOATS and TROUSERS.

Nearly all are one pattern pieces and our variety this year is larger than ever before. The fit style and workmanship are absolutely guaranteed. CALL AND SEE THEM.

Shillenn & Torrence,
The Leading Tailors
Chadwick Block. Smethport.

Place Your Confidence in Us.

When there is illness in your home and the critical period approaches, you find your self wondering if the medicine is really the best that can be obtained. So much depends upon the medicine! Bring your prescriptions to us, and you can be sure that none but the highest standard drugs and chemicals will be used and that every prescription will be filled with as much carefulness and accuracy as if they were for one in our own family. We would like an opportunity to demonstrate these facts to you.

Wells Pharmacy.

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ABOUT
FURNITURE OR CARPETS
UNTIL YOU
"See Sloan First."
J. M. SLOAN,
16 Main Street, BRADFORD, PA.

Queen Quality Shoes. | **F. G. Lindholm & Co** | Standard Patterns

SPRING DISPLAY OF CARPETS, OILCLOTHS, &C.

All Carpets Made Free.

To-day we have on view fifty different patterns of Carpets in Axminsters, Velvets, Wiltons, Body Brussels, Best Tapestry, Pro-Brussels and Ingrains—every one bought before the advance two months ago and priced accordingly.

Axminster Carpets—Some very pretty patterns in the best colorings $1.30 a yard.

Velvet Carpets—One of the prettiest of the inexpensive numbers is a bold design in Persian colorings—red green and tan—fine for Library or Den $1.15 a yard.

Best Quality Body Brussels—All new designs $1.35 a yard.

Pro-Brussels Carpets—Known for durability that cannot be excelled 55c a yard.

Ingrain Carpets—These are shown in various qualities and in a great many different patterns 35c to 65c a yard.

SPECIALS IN LACE CURTAINS.

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49c pair	Value 75c.
75c pair	Value $1.00.
98c pair	Value $1.50.

New Showing of Dress Goods and Trimmings.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.

Now Heat Your Home Comfortably with a Jewett Reflex Heater.

Even if gas costs [illegible] per thousand it would be cheaper for you in a REFLEX than 15c gas in other makes. This is a positive fact, and REDFIELD, the HARDWARE DEALER, will prove it to you or refund your money. It beats using coal at any price.

All people have been more or less worried on the fuel subject. The JEWETT REFLEX will positively settle your worry in the most satisfactory and economical way. It will pay you to buy a REFLEX because of its economy and HEATING POWER. Remember, your money back if you are not convinced.

REDFIELD'S HARDWARE.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

Smethport, Thursday, March 19, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Holmes & Gilfillan advertise fishing tackle in their ad this week.

—Ray Abbey has a new house on Cemetery street well under way.

—C. A. Burdick has a new ad in this issue which will interest everybody.

—Harry Warshofsky of Ormsby has filed a petition to go into voluntary bankruptcy.

—The financial report of the Keating township road funds for the year 1902 appears in this issue.

—"Damon and Pythias" is the attraction at the New Lyceum Saturday night. Popular prices.

—St. Patrick's day passed off very quietly in this borough and the dance at East Smethport was a decided success.

—Limestone has a case of small pox. John McCarthy, aged 19 years, is sick with this dreaded disease in a mild form.

—The license of Ed Hungerford of the Keystone Cafe was transferred to John Hungerford and Michael Cantwell on Tuesday.

—Bradford will probably decide at the next general election whether or not to purchase the Douglass dam. The price is $35,000.

—The Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at the home of Mrs. H. C. Wells on Wednesday, March 25th, at 2:30 p. m.

—Jeoffrey Mayo is confined to the Cornell Univerity Hospital, suffering with typhoid fever. He is not considered in a dangerous condition.

—Two members of the Salvation Army of Bradford have been in town this week soliciting money for the purpose of building a lodging house in that place.

—Gayton, the negro who committed a murderous assault upon Messrs. Bradner and Troy at Olean some time ago, has been sentenced to 32 years in Auburn prison.

—The Rev. H. C. Woods, presiding elder, will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and hold communion service, Love Feast being at 9:30 o'clock.

—A bill has just been passed in the Legislature making it a misdemeanor to sell cigarettes to any person under 21 years of age and providing for a fine of $100 to $300 for such offense.

—The Smethport Fish and Game club will receive applications from persons desiring to act as fish wardens at the following places: Hazelhurst, Ormsby, Clermont, Gardeau and Straights. Address, R. E. Burdick, treas.

—Evangelistic services will be held at the Methodist church every evening next week, the Rev. H. C. Woods, the Rev. H. E. Bayley and other neighboring preachers assisting.

—The Galeton Printing company has combined the Leader and Dispatch of Galeton. This ought to make a paying venture as Galeton is a good town for one paper but not large enough for two.

—Smethport was never in better condition to have a good baseball team than this year. If the citizens will get together and provide suitable enclosed grounds we will have a first-class team here this year.

—The Smethport Fish & Game Club will have a game warden on the streams in this vicinity this year the same as last and those who insist on taking undersize trout, or otherwise violating the game laws, will be prosecuted according to law.

—Mrs. Mary Boras, Pennsylvania's oldest woman, died at her home in Corry on Thursday last after a brief illness. She was born in Switzerland in 1799 and celebrated her one hundred and fourth birthday anniversary last month.

—"Under Two Flags" will be presented by the Irene Jeavons company at the Lyceum this evening. This company is one of the best prpular price companies on the road and you will be well pleased with their productions the balance of the week.

—W. A. Hillis of Cleveland, Ohio, Supt. American S. S. Union, will speak at the Baptist church Sunday at 10 a. m. Everybody come and hear this forceful speaker on this very interesting subject, the work of saving the children of the country districts.

—We are in receipt of the annual midwinter number of the Los Angeles (Cal.) Times. This issue contains 92 pages and much space is devoted to booming that thriving western city and the adjacent country. The edition is well edited and handsomely illustrated and speaks well for the management.

—C. L. Peterson of this borough is the owner of a remarkable hen. It enjoys the distinction of being the only one in this section capable of separating the yolk from the white in the laying process. A sample of its latest production can be seen at this office and it is indeed quite a curiosity.—Galeton Leader-Dispatch.

—Dr. John Clark has cancelled the engagement of "David Harum," which was to have appeared at the Smethport Lyceum on April 4. When Dr. Clark received the contract for this attraction he found that it was not Frohman's company, with Mr. Crane in the leading role, as he had been led to believe. His prompt and decisive action in this matter shows that he does not intend to be humbugged, nor allow Smethport theatre-goers to be cheated.

—Will T. Egbert, successor to Knox & Knox of Bradford, has a large shoe ad on the last page of this issue in which he offers some very rare bargains in his line. Mr. Egbert has built up a large shoe business and persons who go out of town to purchase their footwear will do well to call on him when in Bradford.

—Max Keller, the small pox patient was taken to the pest house, below town, Saturday by Commissioner George Griffiths, and is being cared for by Charlie Baker. The man is a resident of Elk county and the commissioners of that county have authorized the commissioners to have the man properly cared for.—Kane Republican.

—The engagement of Miss Edna A. Dunbar of Olean, N. Y., to Mr. Guy H. McCoy of this place has been announced. Miss Dunbar is a teacher in the Smethport High School and Mr. McCoy is assistant treasurer of the Hamlin Bank & Trust Company of this place. Both are deservedly popular society young people of Smethport.

—We regret to see one of our contemporaries putting Representative Blumle—author of the large family subsidy bill—down as from McKean county. McKean is in no need of this distinction. It is a growing county and can grow right along without subsidies. Mr. Blumle is from Cameron county, where the population is falling off.—Philadelphia Press.

—Touching one of the difficulties of the last judgment so far as the moral [illegible] is concerned, a writer has said: "I can understand what is to become of the sheep, and I can understand what is to become of the goats, but how are the [illegible] to be dealt with?" At the Methodist church next Sunday [illegible] the Rev. Gaylord Patterson will deal with this question.

—A [illegible] who was [illegible] [illegible] yesterday [illegible] [illegible] wedlock with [illegible] young woman [illegible] Friday his bride and he lost her. He told his troubles to the police, but they were unable to locate the missing bride. Queer things occur during the bock beer season.—Tuesday's Bradford Era.

—Messrs. Allen and Earle have arranged to put on a dramatic performance for the benefit of Smethport Hose Co. No. 1, on Friday evening, April 17th. "Trodden Down" will be the bill presented on that occasion. Allen and Earle gave a benefit for Star Hose Co. at Port Allegany last week, drawing [illegible] houses and netted quite a substantial sum for the Port Allegany firemen.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday the services will be at [illegible] and at 7:30 p. m. The lessons will be on "Sacramental [illegible]" and "The [illegible] Kind of [illegible]." [illegible] Wednesdays at [illegible] [illegible] at 9 a. m. [illegible] short talks on Christian Duties. Services and Sunday school at All Saints' chapel at 2:30 p. m.

—The postmaster at Eliso, Ill., being short one cent in his cash at his last settlement with the Government, made up the deficiency out of his own pocket; but in checking his accounts the auditor for the postoffice department found an arithmetical error whereby Uncle Sam had been overpaid to the extent of a cent. Thereupon the department sent the postmaster a draft for one cent, which he has just received.

—All of the factories of the American Window Glass company were shut down on Saturday last for the season. When these factories start again glassblowing machines will be used and it is understood that many of the blowers and gatherers will be thrown out of employment. As very little is known about this glassblowing machine there is nothing definite as to what effect it will have on the men and their wages.

—On Wednesday evening of this week the Missionary Society of the Baptist church, in place of meeting in the church parlors, assembled in a genuine surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alf. T. Smith. In consideration of the fact that Mrs. Smith, the president, is to move from Smethport, the members of the society had arranged that this meeting should partake of the nature of a farewell. After the regular program, Mrs. Smith was presented with a beautiful French clock. Her response to this proof of affection and esteem was most appreciative. Later in the evening refreshments were served.

Nickel Plate Tourist Cars.

To accommodate the demand for accommodations in the famous Nickel Plate transcontinental tourist sleepers which formerly left Boston every Monday and Wednesday noon, a tri-weekly service has now been established leaving Boston every Monday, Wednesday and Friday noon via B. & M., W. S. and Nickel Plate Rds. Can be joined at Utica, Syracuse, Rochester or Buffalo enroute. Second class and special colonists' tickets available. See local agents or write R. E. Payne, Genl. Agt., 291 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y.; or C. C. Lowry, T. P. A., Holland, N. Y.

2 Per Cent on Checking Accounts

and 4 per cent on savings deposits paid by Pittsburg Trust company, 323 Fourth avenue, Pittsburg. Capital, surplus and profits, $6,000,000. Bank by mail.

For Sale.

Two bed room suits, complete, cheap. Inquire at this office.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Jerry McCarty visited Olean Friday.

R. C. Gleason visited Kane on Saturday.

Will Blake of Eldred is visiting in town this week.

John E. Mullin of Kane had business in town Tuesday.

Sheridan Gorton had business in Bradford on Friday.

Decker Parsons of Mt. Jewett was a visitor in town Tuesday.

L. F. Wilcox and wife of Crosby were visitors in town Monday.

Sheriff Chas. E. Mays had business in Mt. Jewett on Friday last.

Commissioners Griffith and Peterson were Bradford visitors last Friday.

T. H. Morrison went to Bradford Tuesday evening to see "San Toy."

George Coons of Wellsville was registered at the Wright House yesterday.

Miss Maude Irons is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. G. Hoghenson, in Bradford.

C. M. Benson of Colegrove was a pleasant caller at this office on Tuesday.

James B. Keefe of Scranton was a guest of his mother in this place over Sunday.

Mrs. Robt. H. Rose of Binghamton, N. Y., is the guest of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. Henry Hamlin.

Mrs. W. O. Hamlin and children, Jane and Alton, left yesterday for an extended visit in New York City.

Attorney A. D. Helmer of Port Allegany had business in town Monday and was a pleasant caller at this office.

Miss D. M. Sheehan returned from a visit to Olean friends on Friday. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. A. W. Moreland of Olean.

Dr. F. C. Pierce left last Monday to attend the Dental Manufacturers' Exhibition to be held in Horticultural Hall, Philadelphia, March 31, April 1 and 2, where [illegible] of the newest and best in dentistry will be shown. The doctor [illegible].

Dissolution of Partnership.

The copartnership heretofore existing between H. W. Rubin and A. J. Warshofsky, under the firm name of H. W. Rubin & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All claims against said firm are to be presented for payment to H. W. Rubin, to whom all accounts due the late firm are to be paid at the store formerly occupied by the firm, at which place H. W. Rubin will continue the business.

H. W. RUBIN.
A. J. WARSHOFSKY.

Smethport, Pa., March 3, 1903.

"Death Notice."

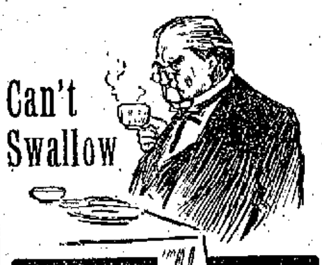
The ordinance relative to dogs running at large without a tag or license will be strictly enforced after March 31, 1903. All dogs not having a tag will be impounded and if not called for in forty [illegible] will be killed [illegible] [illegible] 1903. The [illegible]

Charles McKean,
Burgess.

WANTED—Wanted [illegible] energetic [illegible] to represent the Grand Union Tea Co. in Smethport and vicinity. Good [illegible] to right party. Small [illegible] required. Call or address Grand Union Tea Co., 8 West Washington St., New Castle, Pa.

WANTED—Men of brains, energy and integrity to represent a large corporation. Address, with references, Chas. Wilson, 112 N. Broad street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The MINER and Tri-Weekly Tribune one year for $1.75, cash in advance.



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NEWS STAND.

Cigars, Tobacco, Nuts & Candies
Fruits and Vegetables in season.
We have in stock an elegant line of Stationery. Call and see it.

Blacksmithing.

O. W. Dickerson has purchased the shop formerly occupied by Morris Keefer, Smethport, Pa., where I will do all kinds of blacksmithing and make a specialty of horse shoeing. Having given much attention to all peculiarities and diseases of horses' feet, I will guarantee satisfaction with all such work entrusted to my care.

O. W. DICKERSON.

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FRY & HERZOG

DRY GOODS CARPETS MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Spring Wash Goods

A year ago it seemed the extreme limit of loveliness in wash fabrics had been reached. Not so—this season's weaves and color combinations far outshine anything hitherto achieved.

We can't tell you about them on paper—come to the store. Here's a wealth of variety and we will enjoy showing you through.

Just a hint as to the different lines:

Madras, Ginghams, Chambrays, Percales, Dimities, Batistes, Silk Ginghams, Silk Chambrays, Woven Silk Novelties, Aberfoyle Chambrays, Grenadines, Silk Mulls, etc. In addition and endless variety of choice styles in single pattern lengths.

Men's Furnishings.

An important department in our store. Most everyone knows it. Do you? We keep pace with the correct styles and give the best possible values at all times. New this week:

MONARCH SHIRTS.

Spring Styles.

The best in fit, best in design, best in laundry proof colors and best in durability. An honest dollar's worth of shirt. Why wear a common shirt when you can get a Monarch for $1.00

CLUETT SHIRTS.

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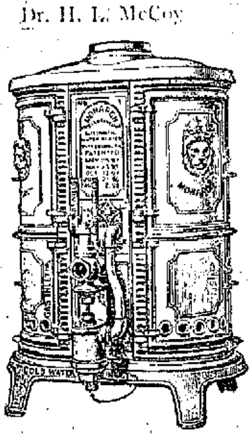

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FITZ-HUGH LEE'S FIRST HOT FIGHT

A FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY WAR STORY

March 17, 1863

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ON the morning of March 17, 1863, Fitz-Hugh Lee's bugler sounded "boots and saddles" in the bivouac on the Rappahannock as the first call for that famous fighting brigade to a pitched encounter. Although it was the second year of the war, there had been no real fighting on horseback in the east up to that date, except between mere handfuls of men in outpost skirmish. Jeb Stuart had often ridden on daring raids in 1862, but never yet crossed sabers with a foe worthy of his steel.

The armies of Robert E. Lee and Joe Hooker lay on opposite banks of the Rappahannock, Hooker getting his ranks in trim to cross over and press the flank of Lee on the way to Richmond. But the river was patrolled on the southern bank by Stuart's alert horsemen. These [illegible] be cleared away before Hooker's advance set foot southward or the movement would be discovered at the start. Fitz Lee's main camp was at Culpeper Court House, [illegible] back from the river. His [illegible] stood watch at Kelly's ford, the best crossing of the river above Fredericksburg.

Hooker ordered General William W. Averell to [illegible] out with his brigade of 3,000 troopers and smash Fitz Lee's brigade. But they had clever scouts in the camps of the Army of Northern Virginia. Averell had barely left his [illegible] when General Robert E. Lee sent a telegram from headquarters at Fredericksburg to his nephew, warning him to be on his guard and [illegible] Fitz Lee's own scouts [illegible] Kelly's ford at [illegible].

Fitz-Hugh Lee [illegible] Averell's advance [illegible] Averell [illegible] twenty men from his brigade and, calling upon Lieutenant S. A. Brown of Troop G, First Rhode Island cavalry, told him to cross that ford and not return until so ordered. When Brown reached the middle of the current, he had but sixteen followers and, making a rush, reached the enemy's pits with but two men at his back. But the daring fellows had made such a good fight with their carbines that the sharpshooters retreated, and Brown captured twenty-five belated ones whose horse holders stampeded and left them without mounts.

COLONEL PELHAM, STUART'S BOY ARTILLERIST, LEADING THE CHARGE.

Averell quickly crossed his brigade for fear of attack while astraddle of the stream. The current was very swift, and in order to prevent wetting the artillery ammunition in crossing it was carried in the nosebags of the horses. The troops went into line of battle as soon as they were over, but, seeing no enemy, marched out on the different roads leading from the ford. With his right resting upon the river Averell advanced his left to a good position for battle and halted with his sharpshooters behind a stone farm fence.

Fitz-Hugh Lee held back in order to make sure that Averell was crossing at Kelly's instead of a ford higher up. When his scouts told of Averell's position, he quickly rode down, preceded by mounted sharpshooters, and formed the Third Virginia cavalry for the charge. The Virginians swept down the stone fence, using pistols in the faces of the Federals. Finding no gap through the wall, they rode back into a field, reformed their ranks and returned to the attack through a farmyard held by the Federals. The Federals at the farm were Pennsylvanians, and the fighting waged fiercely for some time, the Federals holding on by the aid of artillery.

In the charge of the Virginians Stuart lost his gallant boy artillerist, Colonel John Pelham. Pelham's guns were not in the fight, but he had chanced to hear of the affair and rode to the field with the head of column along with his chief, who also was there by accident. When the Virginians charged on the farmhouse, Pelham rushed to the front, waving his sword and urging on the troopers with a wild battle shout. He was struck dead by a shell from Averell's guns, and the fiery cavalcade swept on over his body.

After its repulse at the farmhouse the Third Virginia was joined by Colonel T. L. Rosser's Fifth Virginia, but in a second effort both were driven back by the rapid carbine fire of the Pennsylvanians and Averell's guns. Meanwhile Fitz Hugh Lee's right had charged Averell's left and ridden almost up to the battery. This charge was also repulsed, the Federal troopers making a gallant countercharge.

Finding his force outnumbered three to one, Fitz-Hugh Lee decided to meet the foe on ground of his own choosing. He drew back and formed his line at the edge of an open field 900 yards wide. Four cannon crowned a knoll which overlooked the roadway. Averell's column followed the retiring Confederates rapidly and marching through a wood suddenly came upon Lee's battery and troopers in their new position. The wide field on the Federal side was covered with dry stubble, which was on fire. Fitz Hugh Lee's guns raked the roadway, but in the face of it all the Federal troopers rushed on, beating out the flames with their overcoats and blankets as they advanced.

On reaching the [illegible] over Averell [illegible] to push the attack. [illegible] which were deceiving [illegible] thought that the Confederate battery was behind earthworks, and the ground was such that he could not carry it by flank attack. His artillery ammunition was ineffective, while that of Fitz Hugh Lee was terribly deadly. Whenever the Confederate gunners made a target of a flying troop of Federals they invariably landed a shot.

Seeing that Averell would not take the initiative, Fitz Hugh Lee ordered a grand cavalry charge. It was a rash venture and one he would not have undertaken after the blue and gray had crossed sabers a few times, as they did frequently thereafter in 1863. He put every squadron in, leaving no reserve and having nothing for his troopers to rally on in case of defeat except the four guns of his battery. Averell's battery had 150 rounds of very reliable ammunition held in reserve in anticipation of a charge. When Lee's troopers rode forward the battery opened with shell at 1,500 yards, changing to spherical case at [illegible] yards and to double shotted canister at 400 yards.

Lee's Fourth Virginia regiment encountered a rail fence which lay across the field, and the troopers tore it down under a galling fire from the Federal carbines. This regiment, with the Second Virginia, constituted Lee's right wing. Together they aimed for Averell's battery. Meanwhile Lee's left wing came to a deep run, which checked the line, and it was forced to change from line formation to a column of fours under fire, file across the stream and then deploy into line of battle. Averell's cavalry met this charge by firing at long range from the woods screening that flank. The Confederates tried to sweep around and reach the Federal guns which lay directly in front of the Fourth and Second Virginia. Between this column and the battery were two strong fences inclosing the main road of the region. By the time the troopers reached the road they were broken up into small squads and the impact of the charge lost. The regiments, three in number—the First, Third and Fifth Virginia—turned back and made their way to the hill from which they started.

On the other flank the desperate charge of the Second and Fourth Virginia met with stubborn resistance to the last. After passing the fence these troopers dashed for Averell's guns. The gunners left their pieces, but opportunely the First Rhode Island cavalry rushed to the point of danger and in a sharp hand to hand fight drove off the Virginians. The defeat of the Second and Fourth Virginia was not a rout, however. They rode back to the old ground to reform without molestation. Even the gallant Rhode Islanders, who made the hardest fight in Averell's column, were satisfied to have rescued the battery.

With the retreat of the Second and Fourth regiments came Averell's chance to destroy Fitz Lee's brigade. Lee's men had been beaten in fair fighting. They were fewer in number than the enemy by almost three to one and had suffered most in the fighting. But Averell excused himself from further attack on the ground that he had heard the drum beat of infantry in the Confederate lines the night before, that Fitz Lee's position was protected by rifle pits and the guns protected by earthworks. He could not attack by the flank and believed that a direct attack would end in disaster. In fact, he thought that withdrawal in the face of the enemy would be extremely hazardous. Hence he gave it up and marched back across the Rappahannock.

Fitz Lee lost 100 men and 150 horses killed or wounded, double the battle casualties sustained by his opponent.

GEORGE L. KILMER.

MAORI TATTOOING.

Tortures Which the Women Undergo During the Process.

English explorers and scientists have brought back a series of remarkable specimens of Maori tattooing from the interior of New Zealand. The most astonishing designs were found on the faces of the women.

The faces and bodies of the women are so covered with these blue marks that they look as if they had on a tight fitting [illegible] dress.

The instrument employed in tattooing to obtain the deep furrows is usually made of bone, having a sharp edge like a chisel and shaped in the fashion of a garden hoe. Another style is made of a shark's tooth.

The tattooing of the women is commenced when about the age of fifteen or eighteen and continues until they reach middle age. Most of the masters of the art are professionals, who go from village to village and are highly paid for their services. The pattern about to be engraved is first outlined on the face with a small stick dipped in powdered charcoal, after which the skin is gashed, and the coloring or pigment is introduced into the cut flesh with a stick dipped into the liquid.

The coloring material used is generally the resin of a certain tree, which is burned, powdered and converted into a fluid.

The First Measure of Time.

It was the moon and not the sun which first suggested to mankind the circle of the year as a measure of time. The sun exhibits no changes of appearance, and his light obliterates all the landmarks of the sky. A luminary which is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow might give rise to conceptions of perfection and eternity, but beyond the alterations of day and night it could suggest to men's minds no abstract measure of time. But with our humble satellite it is far otherwise. The regularly recurring phenomena of new moon and full moon are too marked to escape the attention of the most obtuse and unreflecting of savages.

The motion of the sun may be compared to that of the minute hand of a clock, sweeping on hour after hour without leaving much record of its comparatively vast journey. The progress of the moon, on the contrary, may be likened to that of the hour hand, which registers the movements of its companion and resolves them into twelve well defined periods.

Two Views of the Same Question.

A noted bishop in order to point a lesson in humility sometimes tells a story of a young clergyman whose first appointment was to be an out of the way and poor parish.

On his first Sunday in this new station the young man as he looked over his wretchedly clad and ignorant congregation could not help saying to himself, with a groan:

"Dear me, what a dreadful thing it would be if I should have to stay here any great length of time!"

At the end of the sermon a deacon made a prayer. To the young man's horror one part of the prayer was a benevolent hope that "this ignorant, inexperienced, barren pastor that had lately come to the parish might improve and grow learned and fruitful in good works, so that he would come to merit being kept up there for awhile."

The Pillow of the Italian Peasant.

The Italian peasant girl as soon as she has learned to spin and sew begins to make her wedding trousseau. Thence piece by piece it grows, and she has put into it all her finest stitchery and sweetest thoughts. As soon as she is a bride she makes a bag of fine muslin. This she begins to fill with rose leaves. Each year adds its share. When she dies, perhaps an old woman full of years, it is this rose pillow that her head rests on. In this calm acceptance of and preparation for the great events of life, such as marriage and death, there are time and soil for the blossoming of fancy which we, stumbling, hit and miss, through life, do not furnish.

Why Dumas Laughed.

Sir Richard Wallace once heard the elder Dumas laughing boisterously in his study and was told by a servant that Dumas was working and that he often laughed like that at his work. It turned out that the great novelist was "in company with one of his own characters, at whose sallies he was simply roaring." But this was years ago, when imagination went hand in hand with animal spirits. It would be difficult to imagine one of the modern intense, realistic, analytical school so easily diverted.

Tommy's Quick Answer.

"Tommy," said an uncle to his precocious nephew, "your mother tells me she has to give you pennies to be good. Do you think that is as things should be?"

"Of course it is," replied Tommy. "You certainly don't want me to grow up and be good for nothing, do you, uncle?"—Chums.

Quite Fabulous.

"That foreign gentleman is said to have fabulous wealth."

"That's what it is," answered Mr. Cumrox; "fabulous wealth. I don't believe $50 of it is genuine."—Washington Star.

Man's Adaptability.

Jimble—There's something wonderful about man.

Jumble—So well adapted, for instance, to carry an umbrella.—Boston Transcript.

Japanese girls are named not only after flowers, but after animals. Once in awhile one may meet a Miss Dog, Miss Cow or Miss Deer.

DOING THE GRAND ENTRY.

How a Circus Horse Enjoys His Part of the Performance.

The experiences of a farm horse that unexpectedly joins a [illegible] show circus is described by Sewell Ford in "Horses Nine." Calico is the name of the horse. At night he has a hard time pulling the band wagon over the country roads, but he thoroughly enjoys his part in the performance under the main tent. The author describes Calico's feelings as follows:

Ah, that grand entry! That was something to live for. No matter how bad the roads or how hard the hills had been, Calico forgot it all during those ten delightful minutes when, with his heart beating time to the rat tat tat of the snare drum, he swung prancingly around that yellow arena.

It all began in the dressing tent with a period of confusion in which horses were crowded together as thick as they could stand, while the riders dressed and mounted in frantic haste, for to be late meant to be fined. At last the ring master clapped his hands as a sign that all was in readiness. There was a momentary hush. Then a bugle sounded, the flaps were thrown back, and to the crashing accompaniment of the band the seemingly chaotic mass unfolded into a double line as the horses broke into a sharp gallop around the freshly dug ring.

The first time Calico did the grand entry he felt as though he had been sucked into a whirlpool and was being carried around by some irresistible force. So dazed was he by the music, by the hum of human voices and by the unfamiliar sights that he forgot to rear and kick. He could only prance and snort. He went forward because the rider of the outside horse dragged him along by the bridle rein. Around and around he circled until he lost all sense of direction, and when he was finally shunted out through the dressing tent flaps he was so dizzy he could scarcely stand.

The Candle Fish.

One of the gastronomical curiosities of the north Pacific coast, especially plentiful along the shores of British Columbia, is the fish known to fishermen, whites and half breeds as the "candle fish." To the scientists he is the eulachon (Thaleichthys pacificus), and is highly esteemed for two reasons. The fish itself is about fourteen inches long, resembles the smelt in general appearance and is caught in large quantities by west coast fishermen during the months of February, March and April. It is the fattest of all fishes, for which reason large numbers of them are dried and smoked to be used as a warming food during the long rigorous winters so common in that region.

Large numbers of them are also run through crude presses, which extract the oil. This is preserved in skin bags and used much in the same manner as whale's blubber is used by the Eskimos. This "candle fish" gets its common name from the fact that when dried it burns with a bright white flame until entirely consumed. It is much used by the [illegible] both of Columbia and Alaska, either with or without a wick passed through its body.

An Ancient Colt.

One of Mrs. Grant's favorite stories was of an experience in camp somewhere in the Adirondacks, when her husband, then president for the first term, wanted to get away from Washington officialdom. Mrs. Grant was bothered about the washing. A guide recommended a woman who had seen better days, who lived a little way down the lake. Mrs. Grant engaged her. Two days afterward she saw a scene that, as she expressed it, reminded her of "Elaine." It was her washerwoman paddling in a dugout behind a heap of snowy linen.

"Less 'n a year ago," said the woman apologetically, "I wouldn't had to 'a' used the boat. I brung it by the colt. But one day he jes' got colic or somethin' and rolled over on the grass and died. My, how we miss that colt! We'd had him for twenty years."

The Cat and the Doughnuts.

This is a true story, says a writer, that my grandmother told me about her cat and dog. She used to find the cover off her doughnut jar, and also noticed that her doughnuts disappeared. One day she heard a noise and found that the cat was on the shelf where the doughnuts were kept. Then it put its paw in the jar and drew out a doughnut and pushed it off the shelf, and the dog, who was looking up at the cat, caught the doughnut in his mouth and ate it. When they found they were caught, they acted very guiltily.

Why Frenchmen Are Small.

It is said that the under size of the French and their physical shortcomings as a nation are due for the most part to the heavy drain made upon the race by Napoleon. All the ablebodied men were enrolled in his service, leaving none at domestic or business pursuits except the extremely youthful or the aged. From this drainage of the blood and destruction of the sinew of the race France has not yet recovered.

Another Tender Heart.

Clara—Going in for charity again are you? What is it this time?

Dora—We are going to distribute cheap copies of Beethoven's symphonies among the poor. Music is such an aid to digestion, you know!—New York Weekly.

One Advantage.

Mrs. Kingsley—You say you like colored servants better than white because they are slower. How is that?

Mrs. Bingo—It takes them longer to leave.—Town and Country.

Even absurdity has a champion to defend it, for error is always talkative.—Goldsmith.

Official Directory

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MRS L. T. COLEGROVE, Sec'y.

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Episcopal.—J. Heber McCandless, Rector. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Additional service at 8 a. m., except on first Sunday of each month. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

All Saint's Memorial Chapel.—East Smethport—Rev. J. Heber McCandless, Rector. Divine services every Sunday at 2:45 p. m., Sunday School 3:30 p. m. The Ladies' Guild meets every Friday at 10 a. m.

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.—Rev. P. Cosgrove, Pastor. Mass at 11 a. m. Service at 11:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Services on each Sunday.

First Baptist Church.—P. S. Calvin, Pastor. Preaching each Sunday at 11:00 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Senior Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies' Aid Society meets each Friday afternoon in the church building. Women's Missionary Circle meets the first Tuesday evening in each month. The pastor preaches in the East Smethport Chapel each Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All are invited. Seats free.

Colegrove.—Rev. W. F. Tubbs, Pastor. Services every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Clermont Church.—Rev. W. F. Tubbs, Pastor. Services every other Sunday at 3 p. m.

TRAVELERS GUIDE

Pennsylvania RAILROAD

BUFFALO AND ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION.

Time Table—Taking effect Nov. 24, 1901.

TRAINS LEAVE SMETHPORT.

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday, 9:14 a. m.
*Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 2:39 p. m.

*Train leaving Smethport 2:39 p. m. connects at Olean with Chautauqua Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont.

Train 122, week days..............10:59 a. m.
Train 126, week days..............7:07 p. m.

For Larabee, Port Allegany, Coudersport and points south:

Train 121, week days..............9:14 a. m.
Train 123, week days..............2:39 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:18 a. m.—Train 12, week days, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:25 p. m.—Train 8, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 p.m., New York 10:23 p. m., Baltimore 7:30 p. m., Washington 8:35 p. m. Vestibuled parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3:25 p. m.—Train 6, daily, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:25 a. m., New York 8:30 a. m., Baltimore 2:30 a. m., Washington 4:05 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

10:30 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m. week days, [illegible] a. m. Sundays; Baltimore 7:15 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington, and passenger coaches from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:01 a. m.—Train 14, daily (except Sunday), for Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:22 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m. week days, 10:38 a. m. Sundays; Baltimore 7:15 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Vestibuled Buffet sleeping cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5:10 a. m.—Train 9, daily, for Erie, Ridgway, and week days, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10:30 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6:10 p. m.—Train 61, week days, for Kane and intermediate stations.

Weekdays

NORTH	STATIONS	SOUTH
A. M. Lv.		Ar. P. M.
9 40	Ridgway	12 05
9 55	[illegible]	11 40
10 [illegible]	Glen Hazel	11 29
10 [illegible]	Straight	11 26
10 [illegible]	[illegible]	11 16
10 [illegible]	Smith's Run	11 10
10 [illegible]	Woodvale	11 04
10 45	Clermont	11 00
A. M.		A. M.

Connections are made with train [illegible] [illegible] at Ridgway [illegible] for DuBois, Red Bank, Pittsburg and intermediate points [illegible] Ridgway [illegible] for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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The Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern R. R.

Time Table No. 14. Passenger Train Schedule
Effective [illegible]

MT. JEWETT & SMETHPORT JCT.

p.m.	p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
	1 30	8 10	lv. Mt Jewett ar.	8 [illegible]	[illegible]	
5 21	1 50	8 31	Hazelhurst	9.30	11 [illegible]	4 [illegible]
5 29	2 [illegible]	8 [illegible]	[illegible]	7.29	11 [illegible]	4 19
5 32	2 [illegible]	8 [illegible]	[illegible]	7 2[illegible]	11 [illegible]	4 1[illegible]
5 37	2 1[illegible]	8 47	[illegible]	7 1[illegible]	11 15	4 05
				7 10		
6 15	2 30	9 14	Smethport			
6 18	2 43	9 27	Farmer's Valley	[illegible]	11 [illegible]	3 40
6 [illegible]	2 49	9 34	Crosby ville	[illegible]	[illegible]	3 [illegible]
6 [illegible]	2 5[illegible]	9 49	Larabee	6 [illegible]	10 4[illegible]	3 15

SHAWMUT DIVISION

Southward Read down			STATIONS & Sidings	Northward Read up	
P. M.	A. M.			P. M.	A. M.
7.40	11.30		Clermont	7.00	8.35
7.59	11.52		[illegible]	6.28	8.17
8.12	12.06		Wildwood	6.40	8.04
8.22	12.16		[illegible]	6.08	7.56
8.49	12.29		[illegible] Run	5.40	7.45
		AM			PM
8.47	12.50		St. Marys	4.50	7.25
[illegible]	[illegible]	7.38	St. Marys	11.22	6.47
	2.12	7.49	[illegible]	11.00	6.45
	3.17	8.03	[illegible]	10.34	6.26
	3.21	8.08	[illegible]	10.20	6.16
	4.00	8.36	[illegible]	9.59	5.44
	4.15	8.[illegible]	[illegible]	9.55	5.40
AM	AM			PM	AM
	6.03		St. Marys	6.08	
8.05	6.30		Paine	5.42	8.05
8.35	7.00		Byrne	5.10	7.30
8.40	7.05		Weedville	5.05	7.05

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Ar. Eastward.			STATIONS.	L'v Westward.		
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Ar / Dp	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
8.05	7.05	2.10	Ulysses	7.20	2.25	9.10
7.50	6.53	2.10	Crowell	7.27	2.32	9.19
7.46	0	1.57	Carpenter	0	2.34	9.22
7.40	6.48	1.53	Perkins	7.32	2.37	9.26
7.37	6.45	1.50	New'fld Junc	7.37	2.42	9.32
0	0	1.45	Newfield	7.41	2.46	0
7.05	6.36	1.41	Gold	7.44	2.49	9.40
7.00	6.30	1.35	Raymond	7.49	2.45	9.47
6.45	6.21	1.24	Seven Bdg's	8.01	3.06	10.02
6.40	6.17	1.20	Colesburg	8.04	3.09	10.10
6.25	6.10	1.12	Frinks	8.12	3.17	10.20
6.15	0	1.05	N. Couds'pt	0	3.26	10.35
6.10	6.00	1.00	Dp. / Ar.	8.25	3.30	10.45
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Coudersport.			P.M.
4.20	7.45	12.15	Ar. / Dp.	8.28	6.00	1.20
0	0	12.13	Hammond	0	0	0
4.05	7.38	12.09	Olmsted	8.33	6.05	1.31
3.59	7.35	12.05	Mina	8.37	6.10	1.37
3.45	0	11.59	Knowlton	0	6.17	0
3.40	7.25	11.55	Roulette	8.47	6.21	1.51
3.30	7.16	11.47	Burtville	8.54	6.28	2.01
3.23	0	11.41	Coleman	0	6.34	0
3.20	0	0	Chem. Wrks	0	0	0
3.15	7.05	11.36	Pt. Allegany	9.08	6.40	2.25
P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	Dp / Ar	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.

0—Trains do not stop.

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TWO MIRANDAS

By Clinton Dangerfield

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When Herbert Moxon climbed out of the wagon in front of the farmhouse gate, he looked forward with all a city boy's delight to a whole month in the country.

That he had never seen his aunt or uncle before did not trouble him in the least. He had been brought up in a wholesome belief in the kindness of human nature in general and showed it so frankly that people invariably turned their best side toward this sunny faced lad of ten.

His uncle came hurrying down the box trimmed path to meet him.

"I'm glad ter see ye, real glad," he declared warmly. "I'd 'a' come myself 'stead of sendin' Lucas, but I've had the rheumatiz considerable lately."

The boy paused a second at the door step to remark on the beauty of two full leaved and fruited apple trees which grew almost at the fireside, one on each side. But to his surprise his uncle scowled slightly and hurried him into the house.

Only the cheery voice of the fire welcomed him. Herbert turned questioningly to his uncle.

"Aunty? Is she well?"

[illegible]

fruit trees.

[illegible] his right hand on [illegible] "Them two trees is Miranda Sweet, and this on'," a wave to the left and a frown, "is Miranda Sour."

Herbert smothered a desire to laugh. "Named after my aunt?"

"Jest so! Them two are seedlin's, an' I planted 'em the spring she went away. It's mighty queer that they [illegible] for the names I give 'em! As fer her goin', that was a misunderstandin'. She's got proputy of her own, [illegible] as much as I own, an' she's livin' on it ten miles away. I ain't" he choked a little "I ain't seen her sence that spring mornin' when she an' me had it out in the kitchen. I watched her bunnit go round the turn, an'—an' I ain't heard a word of her 'cept what the neighbors let drop."

"Since she's only ten miles away," said Herbert with all the straightforward confidence of youth, "I should go to her and tell her it was just a misunderstanding."

"That's jest what I can't do," returned his uncle with extreme moodiness. "Every time I start, an' I've started more'n onct, suthin pulls me back. I do b'lieve it's Miranda Sour."

"Miranda Sour?"

"When she went away, I named them two seedlin's fer her—Miranda Sweet," his voice faltered, "to 'mind me of how purty she looked the day she an' me stood up before the preacher. She was the pink cheekedest and softest eyed gal in the hull village then."

"I named that tree Miranda Sour," the old man went on doggedly, "to 'mind me how set an' contrary your aunt kin be when she's a inclination that a-way! That tree has got all of Miranda's aggravatinest ways—the very way them leaves flirt at ye is jest perzactly like the fling Miranda could give them skirts of hern when she was swishin' past ye an' wouldn't listen to reason."

Herbert hit Miranda Sour a sharp blow with a stick.

"I wish a worm would gnaw you. I wish a hurricane would blow you down."

"No sich luck," said Jonas in tones which expressed a certain mournful pride in his forecasting. "No sich luck. She'll keep on a-growin', an' Miranda an' me will keep on gittin' furder an' furder apart."

Herbert looked round furtively, then sidled up to his uncle.

"Cut her down," he whispered, one eye on Miranda Sour to see if she overheard.

"Cut her down!" exclaimed Jonas angrily. "Cut down an apple tree ez cost me all that trouble! By gum, I'll do nawthin' of the kind! It's all yer aunt's fault that them trees is there, an' there they kin stay fer me."

Preoccupied himself, Jonas never detected the purpose throbbing in Herbert's whole being, nor even observed the guilty glance that his nephew stole at him when the boy asked with assumed calm if he might go fishing instead of accompanying Jonas to mill.

"Jest as ye like," said his uncle, somewhat surprised. "Ain't no good fishin' round here, but I s'pose throwin' the line in the water'll satisfy ye."

Herbert waited until his uncle had been gone a full half hour; then he flew round to the wood pile and seized the ax, his heart throbbing to suffocation. He hurried back to the front yard, glancing right and left. There was no one in sight. He looked at Miranda Sour, the representative of "the ungodly." Yes, it was no fancy. Her leaves rustled an insolent challenge. He sprang to her side and sunk his ax deeply in her new smooth bark.

After that the blows fell fast and furiously. In less than fifteen minutes she lay quivering and sighing at the feet of Miranda Sweet.

With desperate strength he dragged the fallen one round to the back yard, sometimes in cold terror over his deed, sometimes with the same exultation that Achilles felt in dragging round the walls of Troy. The funeral pyre of Miranda Sour was no easy work, for the day was hot and the tree full of sap, but at last nothing was left of her save a few charred pieces not to be distinguished [illegible] an apple tree. [illegible]

[illegible]

What Buddhism Aimed to Do.

[illegible] the Brahmin survivals in Buddhism, the gods, the fairy tales, more closely than to the doctrine of reincarnation.

It is a hospitable religion and has many mansions. But it did aim at doing away with the sacredness of caste, at proving all men to be equally human, equally capable, as far as social distinctions go, of moral excellence. In this view, where Buddhism most directly reacts against Brahmanism, it has not been a success. The caste system in all its Indian minuteness has survived the Buddhist doctrine. "Buddha for the soul and the gods for the world," an old Cingalese saying, still exists in that popular superstition. Human nature cannot be boxed up in a system.—London News.

"The Jerks."

The most remarkable manifestation of the great religious movement which swept over this country just before the war of 1812 was the physical and nervous disorder known as "the jerks." The jerks took their name from the fact that the arms and legs would be thrown about apparently by a force beyond control of the individual. The disorder was epidemic in Tennessee. A slave owner, a man of great wealth and prominence and irreligious, called his slaves together one Sunday morning, when a camp meeting was in progress near by, and announced his deliberate intention of cowhiding any one of their number who took the jerks. "It is all foolishness," he said, "and I'll whip any one of you that takes it within an inch of his life." He went to camp meeting, and while conversing with a friend in the outskirts of the ground was told that one of his negroes had the jerks. Seizing his horsewhip, he hastened toward the spot and when half way was himself seized by the jerks.

George Peabody.

George Peabody spent his money alike for England and America, and his seventy-five years of life gave him ample opportunity to give vent to his instincts of benevolence. Like Peter Cooper, he did not wait for death to come before he parted with his surplus fortune. Peabody was American born, and to his glory he declined the offer of a baronetcy from the queen. Far more grateful to the good man was the resolution of thanks passed by the congress of the United States. That was a distinction, coming from the whole people, of which he was justly proud.

RELIGION IN CHINA.

There Are Three State Systems, Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism.

In theory Confucianism is the religion of the state. The state officials are the literati who have secured their positions through the study of the classics, i. e., the "Sacred Writings of Confucius." The Confucianist temples are protected and honored by the state, and the worship of Confucius is carried on at the expense of the state. In a limited sense, too, Buddhism can also claim to be a state religion. The same is also true of Taoism, since deceased generals and statesmen are assigned their corresponding ranks with the Taoistic king of the lower world in hades. In this role they are worshiped in Taoistic temples. In this way it is possible for a Chinaman to make use of all three religions without getting into conflict with the distinctive principles of any of them. Their officials worship together. In funeral services monks of both orders are found performing functions on different days.

The public temples are usually in control of the Taoists, but sometimes are in charge of Buddhists. Not rarely Taoistic gods are found in Buddhist temples and vice versa. Sometimes they differ only in name. The Buddhist goddess of mercy is the Taoist goddess of [illegible]. The [illegible] king of the Taoists [illegible] ruler of the Buddhists [illegible] the same [illegible] in hades, and even a separate [illegible] in [illegible] the Taoist temples.

A [illegible] Cruiser.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] and cheese should be used for a fruit dish, and a [illegible] should be served with [illegible].

Would Try to Prevent It.

"What a fine little fellow," said the patronizing old gentleman who had been elected representative for [illegible] successive terms [illegible] congressional district. His remark was addressed to a kind hearted lady holding in her arms a little fellow who blinked gravely at all that was going on.

"Yes," replied the lady. "His father and I are quite [illegible] of him."

"Well, he's a bright looking little fellow. Maybe he'll be a congressman some day."

"Maybe he will," said the mother. "But," she added earnestly, "I'm going to do my best to raise him right."—Youth.

Ancient Proofreading.

The editions of books printed 200 or 300 years ago are almost entirely free from typographical errors, which may be attributed to the fact that early publishers were generally eminent scholars, and themselves gave much attention to the revision of their proofs. After reading the proofs they frequently turned them over to other scholars with the request to revise and correct, and as the printer's time was then deemed a matter of small consequence a perfection was attained which is seldom equaled by modern printers.

Two Courses Open.

Bonaventure de Fourcroy, a clever society poet of the seventeenth century, a splendid orator, an eminent advocate and an intimate friend of Moliere to boot, on being asked one day by a magistrate what he meant to do with his son replied, "If there is anything in him I'll make him a barrister; if not I'll make him a judge."

He's Still a Bachelor.

It was at a social. The young woman said on starting home that she needed something more around her. The young man borrowed a shawl. He is still a bachelor. She is now the ma of four interesting children.—Richmond Missourian.

Blighted Earthly Hopes.

If you want a boy baby, don't let the stork know it, or it will bring a girl. You will find, by the way, that some influence similar to the stork's has followed you in all your desires.—Atchison Globe.

ONE PLUS ONE EQUALS--WHAT?

By FRANK CHISWICK

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"Girls, what do you think? Professor Storm proposed to me last night. So silly! Why, I never met him until the institute opened. We were coming home from the concert, and he"—

Miss Lingard's laughing accents reached the door of the cloakroom just as Miss Waters and Miss Burrows went out.

"Silly! She is the silly one! The most conceited girl I ever knew!" exclaimed Nellie Waters, snapping a rubber band about her notebook.

Alice Burrows stooped for an imaginary raveling in her skirt binding, and her friend did not see her quivering lips. When she stood erect once more, they were joined by other teachers and passed down the corridor.

The first hour was given over to a lecture on chalk work in geography, but Alice was deaf to [illegible] suggestions [illegible]

[illegible]

"I fear my mind wandered. I missed the explanation entirely."

Storm looked at the clock.

"You have forty minutes before train time. Come up to my desk and I will go over it with you."

Mechanically she followed his work, wondering if the ordeal would ever end. But her voice did not quiver as she rose.

"Thank you. It is quite simple now—as simple as one plus one equaling two."

She told the fib unflinchingly, but her eyes did not meet his. The other teachers had gathered in a remote corner to discuss the absorbing question as to whether hats should be worn at the reception to be given that night by the local woman's club. Storm laid a cool, shapely hand over her feverish one.

"I wish," he said softly, "that you would let me teach you that one plus one equals just one. May I—Alice?"

It had not been her mistake after all. He had meant—

"Girls, are you ever coming?"

It was Miss Lingard's voice, just outside the door. Then Alice remembered and drew away her hand.

"Really, Professor Storm, if you advance such propositions as that I shall lose faith in your knowledge of mathematics."

And with a metallic laugh she hurried toward the cloakroom. Storm looked after her with eyes first puzzled, then hurt. He had never pictured her as a willful flirt. And she had led him on. Yes, she had! He repeated the words again and again as if to smooth his ruffled feelings.

The next morning Miss Waters was waiting on the depot platform for her friend.

"Oh, Alice, you ought to have been at the reception last night," she commented as they walked toward the high school, where the institute was held. "Such larks! That little braggart, Hattie Lingard, was the laughing stock. It seems she wants to marry Fred Baker, whose father owns nearly all the stock in the Tucson bank. She hoped to rouse his jealousy by flirting with Professor Storm. That is why she started the story that he had proposed to her, and they say she even asked him to take her to the concert. Well, she did succeed admirably in rousing Fred's jealousy, and he positively refused to take her to the reception last night, and she had such a dream of a dress too. She had to go with a couple of girls. Imagine Hattie Lingard doomed to the society of girls on a long walk home under the trees! Not even Professor Storm appeared on the scene to console her. I believe he saw through her trick because he was so cool to her last night at supper. We sit at the same table. I don't believe he ever had any idea of proposing to her."

Miss Waters rattled on of the evening's pleasures, but Alice heard nothing. She could only think that perhaps the idle boast of a pretty, vapid girl had come between her and lifelong happiness. A mad longing to shriek in her misery, to strike the girl who caused it all, suddenly possessed her, and she walked like one in a dream to the institute doors.

The period just before the noon recess was given over to mathematics. Professor Storm was quiet, collected, [illegible] as ever during the lecture hour, at the close of which the teachers, rejoicing in their freedom, [illegible] toward the various exits. Alice was [illegible] at the foot of the [illegible] Miss Waters called from the doorway:

[illegible]

"It was so simple [illegible] one plus one equals"—

[illegible]

"I felt sure you would find that answer if I were patient."

Wild Animals In the City.

The greatest surprise I ever experienced [illegible]

[illegible] I have never learned where that possum came from, but there's no doubt where he went. Wild creatures in New York are sometimes seen. Ducks, geese, snipe and gulls pass over in their migrations, and it is not uncommon to catch a glimpse of hawks hanging high above the city smoke.

Once I saw a woodcock lying dead on the sidewalk of Fifth avenue, curiously enough in front of Delmonico's. In his nocturnal migration he had collided with that famous restaurant and had broken his neck. There may be a land of Cocaygne after all. Twice I have seen owls in Madison square, one a screech owl, the other a fine specimen of barred owl.—Robert W. Chambers in Harper's Magazine.

Girl and Grammar.

"Out in my town," said a Kentucky editor, "everybody doesn't use as correct English as is used in Boston. Not long ago a young woman from the Hub came out our way to spend some time on a farm a mile or two out of town. She had met the farmer's folks somewhere and come out to try her hand at chicken raising, being an enterprising young lady.

"One day she came into the store of one of our merchants with half a dozen chickens tied together by the feet and laid them down on a sack while she negotiated a sale. The merchant observed that they were in rather an insecure position.

"'Will they lay there, Miss Julia?' he asked, with never a thought of his grammar since he left school.

"'Oh, no,' she replied, half blushing and half reproving; 'they are all roosters.'

"Since then the merchant has been trying to coax Miss Julia to quit chicken raising and go to school teaching, and the rest of us are becoming more particular in our language when the young lady is around."—New York Herald.

Clever Responses.

An American orator in endeavoring to respond to a toast frankly acknowledged his incapacity in this unique manner: "Ladies and gentlemen, I am the possessor of a gigantic intellect, but just at this moment I haven't got it about me."

Talleyrand got out of a similar difficulty by a successful ruse. In responding to his health being drunk he got up before the applause subsided, mumbled, but spoke nothing, made a bow and sat down, at which the applause redoubled.—London Tit-Bits.

BREAKING IT GENTLY.

He Showed the Widow Why It Was Too Late to Mourn.

After the ship which [illegible] from New Zealand was tied up at the wharf, Larry O'Brien was told off by his shipmates to call upon Mrs. McCarthy and break the news of the death of her husband, which had occurred on shipboard the preceding summer. The Brooklyn Eagle tells how he did it:

"Good morning, Mrs. McCarthy!" said he. "Is Denny in?"

"Denny?" said the surprised woman. "My Denny? No, he's not in. Is the ship here?"

"Sure it is. And Denny's not got home yet? That's quare—unless something has happened him."

"What would happen him?" Mrs. McCarthy asked anxiously.

"There's plenty of things can happen a man," said Larry delicately. "He might have got hurted, or he might have took sick with the fever. But there's one comfort, as Father McGinnis said once, and that is that time heals ivry grief."

"What do you mane, Mr. O'Brien?"

"I mane that if anything happened to Denny you wouldn't feel as bad about it a few months after it happened as you would right at the time, would you?"

"I suppose not," said Mrs. McCarthy. "I mind when I lost me first husband I thought I'd never get over it. But, as you say, in a few months it was easier to bear."

"[illegible], Mrs. McCarthy, ye'll be glad to know that it's now [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Migrating Sheep.

[illegible] and their flocks, which follow after and graze. The flocks are accompanied by goat herd[illegible] and by large dogs to guard against wolves. The migratory sheep travel 100 miles to the mountains, and the total time spent on the migration there and back is fourteen weeks.

Bribery In Elections.

[illegible]

Queer Looking Worms.

In New Zealand, Australia, the Samoan and the Solomon islands, as well as portions of the Hawaiian group, are the homes of various species of worms with thick heavy bodies and with a well defined neck connecting the body with a head that is a startling reminder of that of the turkey. In the Sandwich Islands they are called "mesta-[illegible]," which means "[illegible] a child's head." An old New Zealand legend says that at one time they were of immense proportions and threatened the extinction of all human life on the island.

Prudence and Prevention.

The following quaintly worded notice is posted outside the offices of one of the street car companies of Paris: "We beg to inform burglars that we do not leave money or valuables in any of our depots during the night. You are requested to make known this fact among the confraternity, so as to avoid unnecessary trouble and loss of time." The newspaper which publishes the above adds, "Prudence and prevention are the two mothers of safety."

A Natural Mistake.

He had recited to his class the story of Abraham entertaining angels unaware. Feeling that the children might not know the meaning of the word "unaware," he asked them if they did. One little hand went up promptly, and the smallest girl in the class said:

"The thing you wear next your skin."—Harper's Magazine.

A Prejudiced Deduction.

Waggsby—So De Wruyter says he wrote ninety-nine poems last year, does he?

Naggsby—I understood him to say "better than a hundred."

Waggsby—That's what I meant by ninety-nine. I've read his poems.—Baltimore American.

Retort.

Husband (irritably)—It isn't a year since you said you believed our marriage was made in heaven, and yet you order me around as if I wasn't anybody.

Wife (calmly)—Order is heaven's first law.—New York Weekly.

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In company with an ancient Russian custom all the young ladies and widows [illegible] St. Petersburg [illegible] Whitsunday, the former to [illegible] and the latter to be stared at. [illegible] dressed as richly as [illegible] allow, are arranged in long rows on the sides of the [illegible] garden, with their [illegible] standing behind them. The wardrobes of their mothers and grandmothers are laid under contribution, and everything bright and gaudy is carefully brought forward to enrich the drapery, the headdress or the girdle.

Some of the young ladies are so covered with gold and jewelry on these occasions that their natural charms are altogether concealed; indeed the ludicrous excess to which this sort of decoration is sometimes carried goes beyond what has ever been attempted elsewhere. Thus bedizened the blushing damsels are drawn up in name rows while the [illegible] in flowing caftans and swelling beards, parade their sons [illegible] rows. Here and there the [illegible] try to lead the young folks into conversation with one another, in the course of which certain [illegible] presented with [illegible] for the [illegible] take place, at which those whose hearts are [illegible] at the grand show are [illegible] to one another by [illegible] and relatives.—"Sketches of St. Petersburg."

Kindergarten and Citizenship.

[illegible] opportunity for [illegible] civic [illegible] every is a [illegible] Magazine.

Too Stingy.

Casey—Av all the close fisted ould misers thot iver Oi see Dolan's the worst.

Cassidy—Sure, 'tis th' family trait wid him.

Casey—The family trait? Nonsense! Shure, Dolan niver built wan more, let alone a family.—Philadelphia Press.

SAYINGS OF THE WISE.

The eyes of other people are the eyes that ruin us.—Franklin.

If you would know and not be known, live in a city.—Colton.

The way of the world is to make laws, but follow customs.—Montaigne.

We carry happiness into our condition, not expect hope to find it there.—Holmes.

Every city is one just scale. Adversity is the only balance to weigh friends.—Plutarch.

Children are unconscious philosophers. They refuse to pull to pieces [illegible] to see what they are [illegible].—Henry Ward Beecher.

Energy will do anything that can be done in this world, and no talents, no [illegible] opportunities, will make a [illegible] animal a man without it.—Goethe.

Gold, as a [illegible], profitable for reproof, for [illegible], for building up [illegible] and works, are the [illegible] that in their day were [illegible].—Carlyle.

Gossip.

"Isn't that merely idle gossip?"

"[illegible]," answered Miss Cayenne. "It's never idle. It is the most industrious thing on earth."—Washington Star.

Wait Till You're Cooler.

If you get [illegible] at a man, make up your mind what you're going to say, and then don't say it.—Baltimore News.

Development of the Pacific Coast.

The wonderful development of the Pacific coast is the marvel of all; the many business opportunities combined with the salubrious climate is drawing thousands. The Nickel Plate road will place on sale daily Feb. 15th to Apr. [illegible] special one way tickets Buffalo, N. Y., to common Pacific coast points at $42. Through service from New York City and [illegible] points via D. L. & W. and W. S. [illegible] [illegible] N. Y. [illegible]

"The Negro a Beast."

There is [illegible] book [illegible] "The Negro a Beast," [illegible] "Image of God," [illegible] most wonderful [illegible] Agent, [illegible] Easy Street.

Use the Redfield mantle.

Financial Statement

OF KEATING TOWNSHIP ROAD FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 1902.

Frank Reynick in account with Keating Township road taxes as Collector for the years 1901-2.

	Dr.	
To duplicate of 1902 taxes, bond	$[illegible] 15	
To duplicate of 1902 taxes, special	[illegible] 57	
To settlement of 1901 taxes, bond	336 57	
To settlement of 1901 taxes, special	241 48	$[illegible] 85
	Cr.	
By exonerations 1902, bond	59 57	
By exonerations 1902, special	17 85	
By vouchers paid 1901, bond	107 88	
By vouchers paid 1901, special	[illegible]	
By vouchers paid 1902, bond	[illegible]	
By vouchers paid 1902, special	585 00	
By return to Commissioners 1902, bond	12 32	
By return to Commissioners 1902, special	9 23	
By special commission on [illegible] paid on bond 1902	18 75	
By special commission on [illegible] paid on special 1902	29 25	
Bal. due Twp. settlement of 1901 bond	205 [illegible]	
Bal. due Twp. settlement of 1901 special	160 85	
Bal. due Twp. settlement of 1902 bond	307 68	
Bal. due Twp. settlement of 1902 special	[illegible]	[illegible]

Frank Fritz in account with Keating Township road funds as supervisor for the year 1902.

	Dr.	
To cash on duplicate, 1902	[illegible]	
To cash transferred from McGill	[illegible]	
To cash received from Coll. Reynick, 1901 bond	[illegible]	
To cash received from Coll. Reynick, 1901 special	[illegible]	
To cash received from Coll. Reynick, 1902 bond	[illegible]	
To cash received from Coll. Reynick, 1902 special	[illegible]	
To cash received from Frank McGill, special	[illegible]	
To cash received from Co. Treas., 1902 bond	[illegible]	
To cash received from Co. Treas., 1902 special	[illegible]	
To cash received from Co. Treas., 1902 bond	[illegible]	
To cash received from sale of bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
	Cr.	
By [illegible] due Supervis'r Fritz [illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
By [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

[illegible]

By transferred to Supervisor Fritz	21 74	
By return to new superv'r	228 02	
By [illegible] worked on [illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
By [illegible] as supervisor 01 [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

LIABILITIES

Amount of outstanding notes and judgments as per [illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
To amount due Supr. McGill	[illegible]	[illegible] 72

RESOURCES

By amt. due Township on duplicates of 1902 in hands of Coll. Reynick	1644 30	
By amount in Treasurer's hands	[illegible]	
Township indebtedness to balance	[illegible]	[illegible] 72

We the auditors of Keating Township, have examined the accounts and vouchers of Frank Reynick, Collector, and Frank Fritz and Frank McGill, supervisors of Keating township, find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals this 20th day of March, 1903.

H. D. [illegible], (Seal.)
F. W. [illegible], (Seal.) Auditors.
A. [illegible], (Seal.)

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